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## ANGLO-FRENCH PEACE PLAN CAUSES DISAPPOINTMENT IN ITALY



Judge Thomas W. Trenchard, above, who presided at the original trial of Bruno Hauptmann, has just signed, for the second time, a warrant condemning the prisoner to execution, which is now fixed for the second week in January.

### EVERYTHING LOVELY "Myopic Aloofness" Of Mr. Kellogg

"BEST OF ALL POSSIBLE WORLDS"

Washington, To-day.  
"The Far Eastern situation is not menacing at all. I do not see anything to indicate war there. I do not see anything in Japan's movements in China that violates the Nine-Power Treaty," stated Mr. Frank B. Kellogg in an interview yesterday.  
He added that he saw nothing to justify the belief that another great war was imminent. The fact that there was more or less unrest in the world was due to economic causes.  
Referring to the Italo-Ethiopian dispute, Mr. Kellogg strongly condemned Italy, for whom, he said, there was no excuse, but he did not believe in any kind of sanctions. The world was not going to maintain peace by imposing sanctions. He did not see any necessity for further legislation on the American neutrality question.  
Governor George Earle and Senator Guffey of Pennsylvania conferred with Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, yesterday. They stated afterwards that the question of neutrality was discussed, but declined to reveal details of the conversation. However, it is believed that it related to the embargo on coal and oil.  
Reuter.

### LOCAL DOLLAR STEADY

Forward Silver Price Unquoted.

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/3%.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 26 1/16, and there was no quotation for "forward."

The London on New York cross-rate was unchanged at \$-US\$44.32%, as compared with \$-US\$44.32%, while the New York on London cross-rate was quoted at \$-US\$44.32%, as compared with \$-US\$44.32%.

### WEATHER REPORT

The anti-cyclone remains unchanged, pressure being highest to the north of the lower Yangtze Valley. Fair, with fresh north-easterly winds, was the local forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

### LONDON NAVAL CONFERENCE

### JAPAN SPRINGS A SURPRISE

### COMMON UPPER LIMITS MODIFIED

London, To-day.  
The Japanese delegation to the Naval Conference sprang a surprise yesterday morning by expressing willingness that the common upper limits should apply to all five Powers instead of only three, as they had previously maintained. Thereby they bowed to Thursday's French complaint, that France cannot be sidetracked, as allegedly occurred at the Washington Conference.  
Mr. Norman Davis indicated that the new proposal does not affect the American viewpoint, namely, that the varying national requirements must have consideration. The Japanese agreed on varying requirements among the other Powers, but not among Japan, Britain and America.  
The Conference then adjourned until Monday, when the proceedings will be ultra private, only the heads of the delegations attending.  
It was learned from French circles last evening that the French are on the whole very satisfied by the explanation of their proposals given by the Japanese at the Naval Conference yesterday.

### RAVINE MURDER CASE

### Buxton Committed For Trial

### 100 WITNESSES CALLED

London, To-day.  
Buxton has been committed for trial at the Manchester Assizes by the Lancaster magistrates. He pleaded not guilty. The prosecution called over 100 witnesses, and the exhibits exceeded 200. — Reuter.  
A message dated November 26 stated that sensational allegations were made at Lancaster Police Court, which was crowded, when Buck Buxton appeared on a charge of murdering his wife and nursemaid. The prosecution was calling over 100 witnesses and the proceedings were expected to last over a week.  
The magistrates refused the defence application that the two charges should be taken separately. The prosecution alleged that both murders were committed at Lancaster and it was stated that the dismembered bodies, found in a ravine near Moffat in Scotland, had been assembled into two bodies. It is alleged that the dismemberment was carried out in an expert manner by someone familiar with human anatomy.  
It was impossible to define the cause of death in the case of one body, but with respect to the other the bone of the neck had been fractured, suggesting manual strangulation. It was alleged that in every possible way the bodies are those of Buxton's wife and nursemaid.

### HAUPTMANN SENTENCED

### Execution Planned For Mid-January

Trenton, N.J., To-day.  
Bruno Hauptmann has been sentenced to the electric chair, some time during the week beginning January 13. Judge Trenchard has signed the new death warrant, which is being sent to Flemington to-day to be signed by the County Clerk. The exact date of the execution will be fixed by the Warden of the State prison. — Reuter.

### NAGAI EXPLAINS

London, Later: The Japanese attitude at the Naval Conference was succinctly explained by Admiral Nagai, one of the principal delegates, when interviewed by Reuter. The common upper limit should be fixed so low that there is no surplus for one Power to attack another. They are at least as anxious as others to reduce naval expenses.

The cardinal points of the Japanese position referred directly to America and indirectly to Britain. They do not understand why America wants to maintain a large fleet in the Pacific, which the Japanese think implies an American wish to claim the right to dictate to Japan in respect of China. This Japan cannot agree to.

The Japanese are of the opinion that a datum line should be drawn across the Pacific, and whosoever crosses it should be considered an aggressor.

### REPORT CONTRADICTED

Later: The Japanese delegation informed Reuter, with regard to the misunderstanding of their attitude mentioned earlier, that they never suggested, and had no intention of suggesting, a datum line in the Pacific. They also denied that the cardinal point of their attitude refers to America. — Reuter.

### DR. MASARYK RESIGNS

### NEW ELECTION ON DECEMBER 18

### "CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Prague, To-day.  
At Lany Castle to-day President Masaryk will formally communicate to those constitutionally responsible his decision to retire from the Presidency, says an official statement issued last night. The election of the new State President is scheduled to take place on December 18. — Trans-Ocean Service.

The confirmation of the appointment of Sister Rosaline Vermeiren as Mother Superior of the Society of the Sacred Heart of Saint Paul de Chartres in the place of Sister St. Agnes Marguerite, as announced in the "Government Gazette" of December 13, is published in the "Government Gazette" of December 14.



A military picket in the streets of Cairo during last month's disturbances.

### ITALY WARNS AGAINST GROWING OPTIMISM

### DECLARED DISTURBING FACTOR IN DELICATE SITUATION

### "CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Rome, To-day.  
An emphatic warning against the optimism prevailing in foreign countries about the situation created by the Paris proposals was uttered last night by the semi-official "Giornale d'Italia," which in a leading article discussed the Abyssinian question for the first time since Saturday last.

### JAPAN MAKES DECISION

### Will Only Deal With New Regime

### GARRISON FORCES TO BE STRENGTHENED

### Tokyo, To-day.

Japanese reports from Tientsin state that a Japanese military conference, attended by representatives of the War Office, yesterday afternoon reached important conclusions regarding the reorganization of and probable strengthening of the Japanese garrison, in order to meet recent developments in North China.

The conference is reported to have decided to regard the new regime as a self-contained and administered body, virtually independent of the Nanking Government.

"Consequently all negotiations relating to North China affairs will be conducted with the new North China Committee, with which negotiations will be opened forthwith, to expedite the establishment of a common front against the advance of the Communist influence."

Furthermore a close watch will be maintained on the proceedings of the new administration, so that the righteous desires of the local population are not ignored. — Reuter.

### UNEMPLOYMENT IN FRANCE SHOWS INCREASE

Paris, To-day.—The number of persons drawing unemployment relief in France increased by 7,200 to 416,740 during the period ended December 7, 1935, as compared with 409,540 in the corresponding period of the previous year. — Trans-Ocean Service.

### ITALY CONSIDERS RESERVATIONS

### Peace Plan Still Seen As Inadequate

### Rome, To-day.

It is learned in well-informed political quarters that Italy is still expected to accept the peace proposals as a basis of discussion, but would make reservations on the ground that they are inadequate. — Reuter.

### BRITISH ATTITUDE

Geneva: An emphatic declaration was made by Mr. Anthony Eden, British Minister for League of Nations Affairs, at the meeting of the Committee of Eighteen yesterday, that the British Government would not waver in its pursuit of the restoration of peace and the maintenance of the League's authority, and it would continue to give all the assistance in its power to the work of this Committee.

The declaration made a big impression and is generally interpreted in the lobby as implying that the British Government has no intention of avoiding or delaying the extension of sanctions.

### REJECTION UNLIKELY

Despite the general hostility to the peace proposals it is now considered most unlikely that the Council will reject a plan backed by Britain and France. It is believed that it will be voted unanimously with some abstentions, but it will probably be possible to devise some procedure to avoid a straight vote.

It is believed that M. Laval may recommend the appointment of a committee to examine the proposals, which will probably entail delay and may hold up the extension of the embargo.

A Government Gazette notice of the appointment of the Hon. Sir Frank Hamilton, K.C., as a Justice of the Peace, with effect from December 13, is published in the "Government Gazette" of December 14.

### PROPOSED CESSION OF ASSAB

### RESERVATIONS BY DUCE ALMOST CERTAIN

### FULL TEXT OF PROPOSALS

### Rome, To-day.

The Anglo-French peace plan, the text of which has been issued here, is divided into two parts. The first concerns the territorial exchange and the second refers to the zone of economic concessions to be granted to Italy.

The former proposes the cession to Italy of East Tigre, as bound by a line drawn from north to south between Aksum and Adowa, leaving Aksum to Abyssinia and Adowa to Italy. The frontier between Eritrea and Danakil is to be rectified so as to leave Abyssinia Aksum and the territory necessary to give Ethiopian access to the sea.

The new frontier between Ogaden and Somaliland will be a line cutting Webbi Shebelli at Idodole, leaving Gorafai to the east and Warandab to the west and joining the British Somaliland frontier at the 45th meridian. All wells in the territory ceded to Italy must be safeguarded to the original users.

Ethiopia is to receive an outlet to the sea, preferably by the cession of Assab and a strip of territory giving her access along the French Somaliland border.

The second part states that the British and French Governments will use their influence at Addis Ababa and Geneva to cause to be created a southern zone for economic exploitation and development, reserved to Italy. The zone is to be, on the east, the rectified frontier between Ethiopia and Somaliland; on the north the 8th parallel; on the west the 25th meridian; and on the south the Ethiopian-Kenya frontier.

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In this zone, which forms an integral part of Ethiopia, Italy will enjoy exclusive economic rights. The zone will be administered by a privileged economic company or similar institution which will have absolute rights of property over the unoccupied territory for the exploitation of mines, forests, etc. This privileged economic company will be obliged to contribute to the economic equipment of the country by yielding part of its profits in favour of the native population.

The control of the Abyssinian administration in the zone would be connected under the sovereignty of the Emperor with services appointed by the League. These services could be administered by a principal Counsellor, who might be an Italian and would act as the deputy for the chief delegate of the League at the Emperor's Court. The chief delegate must not be a citizen of any border States.

### TWO GUARANTEES

The "assigned" services would regard all one of their principal tasks the ensuring of full freedom for Italians in pursuing their enterprises, both in the capital and in the reserve zone. The French and British Governments would undertake to guarantee the suppression of slavery and the suppression of the slave trade in the zone ceded to Abyssinia.

### FOORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Prince John William, Duke of Thuringia, to Princess Hannelore, daughter of the late Emperor of Germany, and Princess Maria Theresia, daughter of the late Emperor of Austria, on December 15, at the Palace of St. James, London.

### ABYSSINIAN ATTITUDE

### DOOR NOT CLOSED TO NEGOTIATION

### PREPARED TO RECEIVE PROPOSALS

### "CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Geneva, To-day.  
Answering the Abyssinian Government's request that the League of Nations Council be assembled immediately, the General Secretary of the League of Nations telegraphed the Negus last night, pointing out that the Council has already been convened to meet next Wednesday to consider the proposals made by both Governments. In view of this circumstance the President of the Council considers it expedient to await the result of Wednesday's deliberations before deciding on the Abyssinian motion.

### ABYSSINIAN NOTE

The text of the note handed over to the League of Nations Secretariat by the Abyssinian Minister in Paris, defining the attitude of the Abyssinian Government towards the Franco-British proposals, has just been published here.

### League Union's Resolution

### DEPUTATION RECEIVED BY PREMIER

### London, To-day.

A deputation consisting of Sir August Chamberlain, Lord Cecil, Lord Allen and Professor Gilbert Murray waited on the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, yesterday morning and presented a resolution passed on Thursday by the executive of the League of Nations Union, which declared itself "gravely perturbed" by the declarations on the Paris negotiations in connection with the war in Abyssinia. The deputation remained for an hour and a half with the Prime Minister, who thanked it for giving him the opportunity of hearing its views. — British Wireless Service.

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## INWARD MAILS.

## FROM EUROPE

Soudan	Dec. 24
FROM SHANGHAI	Dec.
Liangchow	14
Tainan	15
Aeneas	16
Athos II	17
Tantalus	19
Pres. Hoover	19
Hakusan Maru	20
Pres. Hayes	20
Emp. of Japan	20
Asama Maru	21
FROM STRAITS & INDIA	Dec.
Calchas	16
Van Heutz	17
Kashima Maru	21
Tokushima Maru	21
Soudan	24
Tokushima Maru	22
Deucalion	22
Takna	24
FROM U.S.A.	Dec.
Pres. Hoover	19
Emp. of Japan	20
Pres. Hayes	20

## FROM MANILA

Kamo Maru	Dec. 19
Tjikembang	21
FROM JAPAN	Dec.
Malacca Maru	14
Buenos Aires Maru	18
Pres. Hoover	19
Hakusan Maru	20
Emp. of Japan	20
Pres. Hayes	20
Asama Maru	21
Alipore	22

## OUTWARD MAILS.

## FOR EUROPE

Kwangtung	Dec. 14
Aeneas (via Marseilles)	16
Pres. Lincoln (via San Francisco)	17
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.	
Athos II (Air Orient Service)	17
Closes: Reg. 8 a.m. Ord. 9 a.m.	
Buenos Aires Maru (Imperial Service)	19
Closes: Reg. 1 p.m. Ord. 1.30 p.m.	
Hakusan Maru (via Marseilles)	20
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 6 p.m.	
Kashima Maru	21
FOR STRAITS AND INDIA	Dec.
Hong Peng	14
Yuenyang	14
Aeneas	16
Buenos Aires Maru	19
Hakusan Maru	20
FOR MANILA	Dec.
Change	17
Pres. Hoover	19
Emp. of Japan	20
Pres. Hayes	20
FOR AUSTRALIA	Dec.
Change	17
FOR SHANGHAI	Dec.
Pres. Lincoln	17
Kashima Maru	20



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These members of the militant youth organisation "Figli Della Lupa"—Sons of the She-Wolf—sound the bugle and drum as thousands of their child compatriots rally to Premier Mussolini's colours in a national movement which is fired by the success of Italian arms in Ethiopia.



Thrilling a New York crowd at the horse show by coming from behind to tie with the Chilean jumping team and then going on to win by a well-nigh perfect score, this American Army team took top honours in the recent international military contest. L. to r.: Capt. E. L. Thompson, his mount "Blackie"; Capt. G. G. Jadin and "Ansonia"; inset is Lieut. C. G. Raghouse.



Disappointed when their stratosphere balloon exploded in a previous take-off at Rapid City, S. D., Capt. O. A. Anderson (left) and Capt. A. W. Stevens are again to date the elements in Explorer 2nd, the largest free balloon ever built in a new National Geographic-Army assault on the stratosphere flight record.

(Right)—Considerable significance was recently attached to the manoeuvres of Italian warships near Gibraltar, the famous natural fortification that has given Britain command of the Mediterranean for centuries.



Walter Asgedetch (above), Ethiopia's only woman general, is active in leading black warriors in guerrilla warfare against the invading Italian columns.

(Left)—Fearing that his mother and other relatives would be taken from Makalle as hostages, Ras Haile Selassie Gucsa, Ethiopia's "Benedict Arnold," won permission to enter his native city with the first Italian troops, only to find he was too late.

(Below)—A new and excellent portrait study of Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia, who will lose his throne if Italy succeeds in her Ethiopian conquest.



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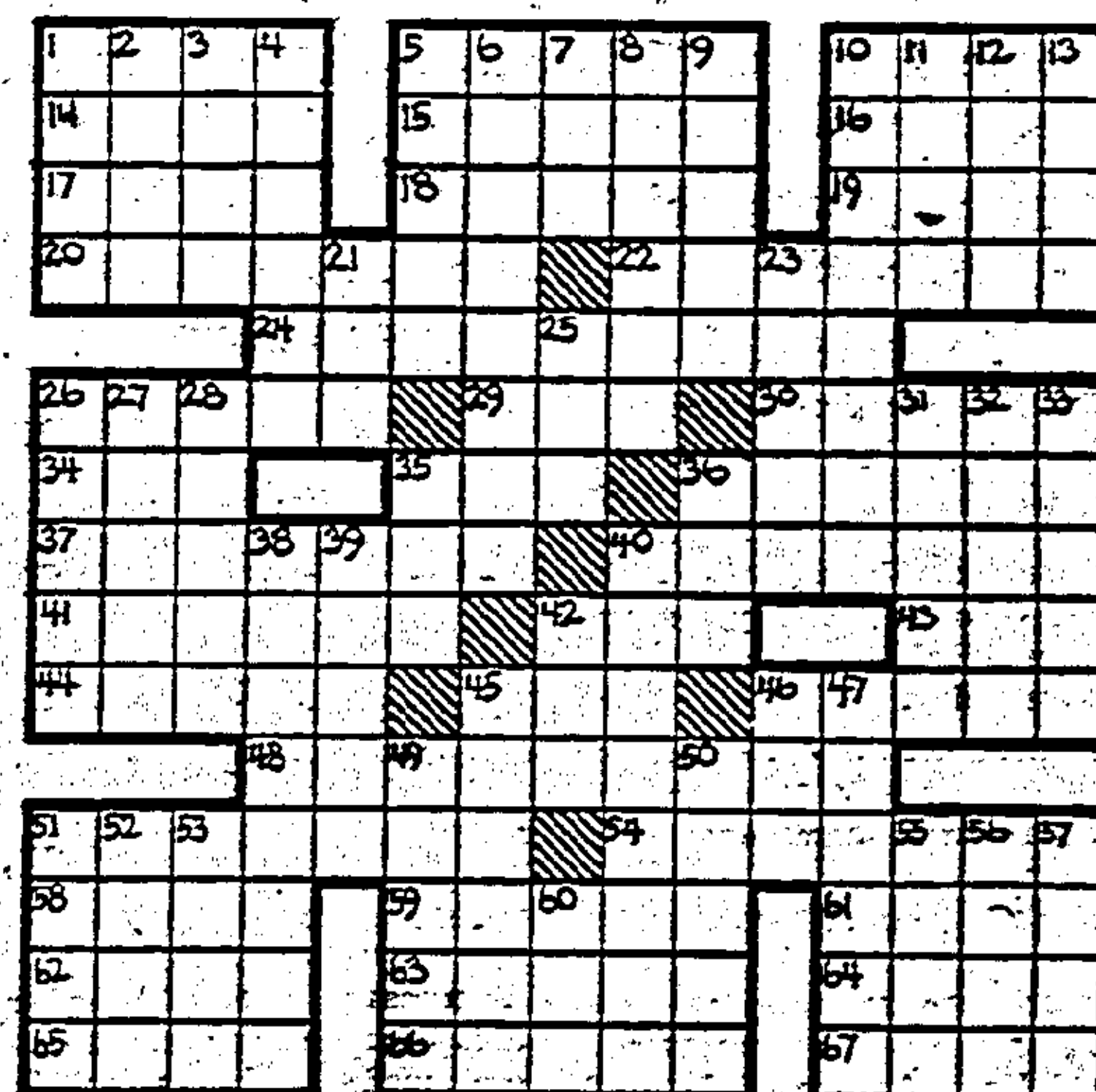
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## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and aitho.



## HORIZONTAL

- Rebound
- Pleasure
- Mineral springs
- Scarce
- One who piles
- Heavy two-wheeled vehicle
- On the ocean
- Boy's name
- Melody
- Wished for
- Vacantly
- Necessariness
- Dash in pieces noisily
- Anger
- River in Italy
- Radical (abbr.)
- Curious scraps of literature
- City in C. Illinois
- Pressing
- Nooks
- Quiet
- High priest (Bible)
- Taste
- Dress with the back
- Golf mound
- Despises
- One who adorns
- Withdraws from action

## HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- Native of Africa
- To the sheltered side
- Turkish monetary unit
- Otherwise
- A wire measure (pl.)
- Prophecy
- Strike with the open hand
- A condiment
- Rub out
- Tense

## VERTICAL

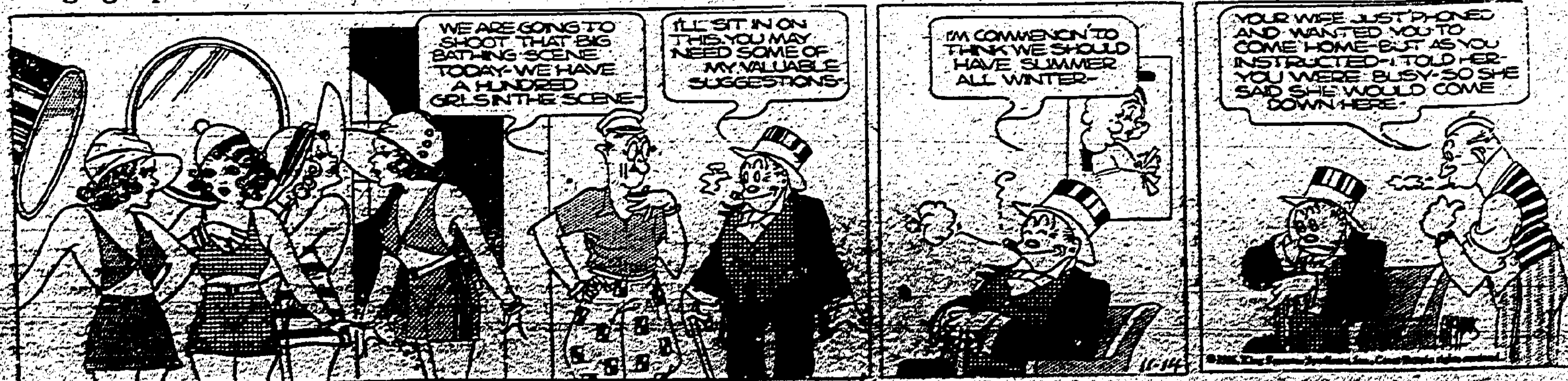
- Beacoth
- Comfort
- Surface
- Acquire
- Drunk carousal
- Trudging
- Grass
- To line again
- A weighing machine (cont.)
- The art of scanning verse to show its metrical parts
- Remove the skin
- An accessory covering of a seed

## VERTICAL (Cont.)

- Remain
- A book of the Bible (abbr.)
- A flower
- Man's name
- Brittle
- More unusual
- Worship
- Naval station in France
- Nest of an eagle
- Grates
- One (Scott.)
- Hawaiian food
- Most in want
- Pertaining to the inside
- Cleaners
- Ever (cont.)
- Baseball pitcher
- Large pig
- Check
- Stop
- Brit
- Butts
- Men's name
- Wares
- Wide-mouthed pot
- Elderly son of Isaac
- Combining form
- Seven
- A vegetable

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue.

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## for STAMP COLLECTORS

By A. E. L.

THE first of the franc value stamps showing the profile portrait of King Leopold has also been issued in Belgium. This is the 1 franc carmine rose, and it is of a larger size than the lower value current stamps.

Bulgaria has honoured the memory of King Ladislav Varnetchev with a set of five values. The 1L yellow-brown pictures Jan Hunyadi, the 2L purple and 4L blue Ladislav Varnetchev, the 4L orange the Narmanis Monument and the 14L the passing of Varnetchev.

The four Leopold kings of Belgium are portrayed on the new set of Belgian Congo stamps commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the colony. The kings portrayed are Leopold I, Leopold II, Albert I and Leopold III.

Ecuador honoured the anniversary of Simon Bolivar at Quito by erecting a monument to his memory and at the same time overprinting the 1935 issue of commemoratives in various colours with the words "Inauguration Monumento a Bolivar Quito, 24 de Julio de 1935." The set was issued July 24, 1935, and consisted of eight values, from the 5c to the 5S.

Luxemburg in connection with the Each Philatelic Exhibition has re-issued the 1923 2FR stamp on watermark paper and imperforate. A surtax of 50c is added to help defray expenses of the exhibition.

Mexico has commemorated the federalisation of the State of Chiapas with a single stamp on which appears the dates "1824-1935." This is a 10c value of deep blue colour.

The first trip of the Polish motorship Pilsudski, pride of the Gdynia American Line, was honoured by Poland with a 15gr gray-green stamp showing a view of the ship under full steam.

## Amusements

## Cinema Notes

## "THE WEDDING NIGHT"—KING'S THEATRE

The love story of a famous New York author, played by Gary Cooper, and a New England farm girl, played by Anna Sten, is told in "The Wedding Night," the Samuel Goldwyn production in which Ralph Bellamy, Helen Vinson and Siegfried Rumann are also featured.

Cooper, as the author, suddenly learns that high living and luxury has ruined his literary ability and, with his wife, he goes to his country home in Connecticut. There he finds fresh inspiration in the strange habits and customs of his foreign-born neighbours and he decides to write a book about them, with the farm girl as the heroine.

After his wife departs to return to the comforts of city life, the author and the girl realise they love each other. But her father, in keeping with tradition, has commanded that she marry a man of his choice, although she does not love him. She decides finally to rebel against parental dictation, and live as she chooses, and meets with tragedy. Helen Vinson, as the wife, fights with woman's weapons to keep her husband.

## "THE BIG BROADCAST OF 1935"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

"The Big Broadcast of 1935," now being shown at the Queen's Theatre, can be classed as an entertainment of the highest order in musical and comedy films. There is not a dull moment in this picture, which includes the highest talent from radio, stage and screen. Jack Oakie and Lyda Roberti provide the light comedy, while Burns and Allen are very enjoyable in their broader antics.

## "MUSIC IS MAGIC"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

"Music is Magic," now being shown at the Alhambra Theatre, is one of the best musical comedies that have been produced.

Alice Faye and Ray Walker are co-featured, while Bebe Daniels is also in the picture.

The story is about Walker, who tries to give his girl, Alice, a break in the movies and appoints himself a dance director. There are some catchy tunes, while the comedy part of the picture is supplied by the two comedians, Mitchell and Durrant.

Thomas Beck and Luis Alberni all contribute to the excellence of this entertaining musical show.

## "BLACK FURY"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

"Black Fury" is a very fine drama of life in a coal-mining community in Pennsylvania. The plot and atmosphere may be drab but the acting is excellent. The central person in the plot is a genial, slow-witted miner who is pathetically unable to understand the problems with which he is faced, but among his friends and workers his great worth is

popular figure. Through his ignorance he is made a tool by an exploiting firm which engineers strike and throw his friend out of work, while others are left to starve at their posts.

## "THE LIVES OF A BENGAL LANCER"—STAR THEATRE

"The Lives of a Bengal Lancer" is a picturisation of a military drama at an army post in India. Well-acted and providing a magnificent spectacle and a good human story, the contributions of Gary Cooper, Randolph Scott, Richard Cromwell and Sir Guy Standing make it one of the most outstanding pictures of the year.

## BRIDGE NOTES

## Opening Lead Kills Defence

By Ely Culbertson

Recently I gave an example of a pre-emptive bid which turned out most disastrously for the pre-empter. I mentioned it as an exception rather than the rule. Generally, pre-emptive bids can keep the finest of opposition out of its correct spot. The one I made in the deal below against Mr. and Mrs. Sims during the recent match turned out well. The attacking value of the hand was a tower of strength and the hundred honours a safety brake for a possible set if my partner held a Yarborough.

South, Dealer Neither side vulnerable Mrs. Culbertson

NORTH: S—J 10 9 7 2 H—7 3 D—K J 3 5 C—9 8 Sims

WEST: S—K H—9 8 5 4 D—A Q 10 C—K 6 4 3 2 Mrs. Sims

EAST: S—A Q 6 5 3 H—10 D—8 7 4 C—A J 10 5 Culbertson

SOUTH: S—8 4 H—A K Q J 5 2 D—6 3 2 C—Q 7

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs).

South West North East SE(1) Dbl (2) Pass Pass (3) Pass

1—I knew my partner would read my three heart bid as a weakness shut-out bid and would not raise me to game, thus inviting a double.

2—West knew my pre-empt, as dealer or second hand, are made on weak hands. With four trumps and good scattered outside honour strength, he felt impelled to take some action, and doubles. From his holding, he preferred the double to be left in for penalties, but expected a takeout on a strong, or unusually distributed hand.

3—East, in all probability, should have considered taking out with three spades. But East suspected from her own singleton in hearts that her partner's double was predicated on some trump strength and that he did not particularly desire a takeout. East admittedly had a very difficult decision to make and in this particular instance decided incorrectly. Even if East had bid three spades, it is doubtful if the East-West partnership could ever have got together on clubs, as West would probably have passed to three spades. The opponents took two club tricks, two spade tricks and a diamond, defeating the contract 100 points. A double dummy defence consisting of cashing two clubs, one diamond and two spades immediately, followed by a third round of spades from East, would have defeated me one more trick, or 300 points as the third round of spades would have given West a trump trick. If I trumped high, West's nine would stand up and if I trumped low, he would naturally overruff. However, the opponents, without much difficulty, could have made five clubs. Admittedly, they needed only to drop the Queen of clubs or find a successful finesse in diamonds or spades.

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Florence Rice and Conrad Nagel are in the Columbia picture "Death Files East," which will be shown at the Alhambra next Wednesday.

## RADIO TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

## VOCAL AND PIANOFORTE RECITAL FROM STUDIO

## DANCE MUSIC

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Record Programme.

1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletin.

Rugby Press News, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7 p.m.—12 midnight—European Programme.

7-7.20 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.

Invitation to the Waltz (Weber Op. 65).

A Thousand and One Nights (J. Strauss).

Dreaming (Joyce).

7.20-7.40 p.m.—Vocal Gems.

Welsh Memories (arr. Evans).

Drinking Song (Schumann).

The Kisses of Penelope (Gilbert and Sullivan).

7.40-8 p.m.—From the Studio.

A Vocal and Pianoforte Recital by Lilian Quinn.

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

8.05-8.30 p.m.—Light Orchestral Selections.

Selection of Bing Crosby Numbers.

Dance of the Icicles.

The Frolicsome Hare.

Talking Film Memories.

Fables in the Moon—Intermezzo.

8.30-9.15 p.m.—Variety Items.

Piano Duets.

Roberts Selection.

Arthur Young and Reginald Forrester.

Song—For Me, For You.

Hildegarde (Soprano).

Organ Solo—The Clouds will soon roll by.

Quentin H. Maclean.

Vocal—Twenty Five years of Popular Song.

Instrumental—Mamma Rea.

Song—Rags.

Allen Stanley.

Xylophone Solo—Written on the Keys.

Harry Robbins.

Vocal Duets—Mood Indigo.

Layton and Johnstone.

Orchestra—Reverend Memories.

9.15-9.30 p.m.—Military Band Music.

Amorette Tanne (Gungl).

Valse des Alouettes (Drigo).

Nautical Moments (arr. Winton).

9.30-9.45 p.m.—A Relay of the Day.

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9.45 p.m.—12 midnight—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

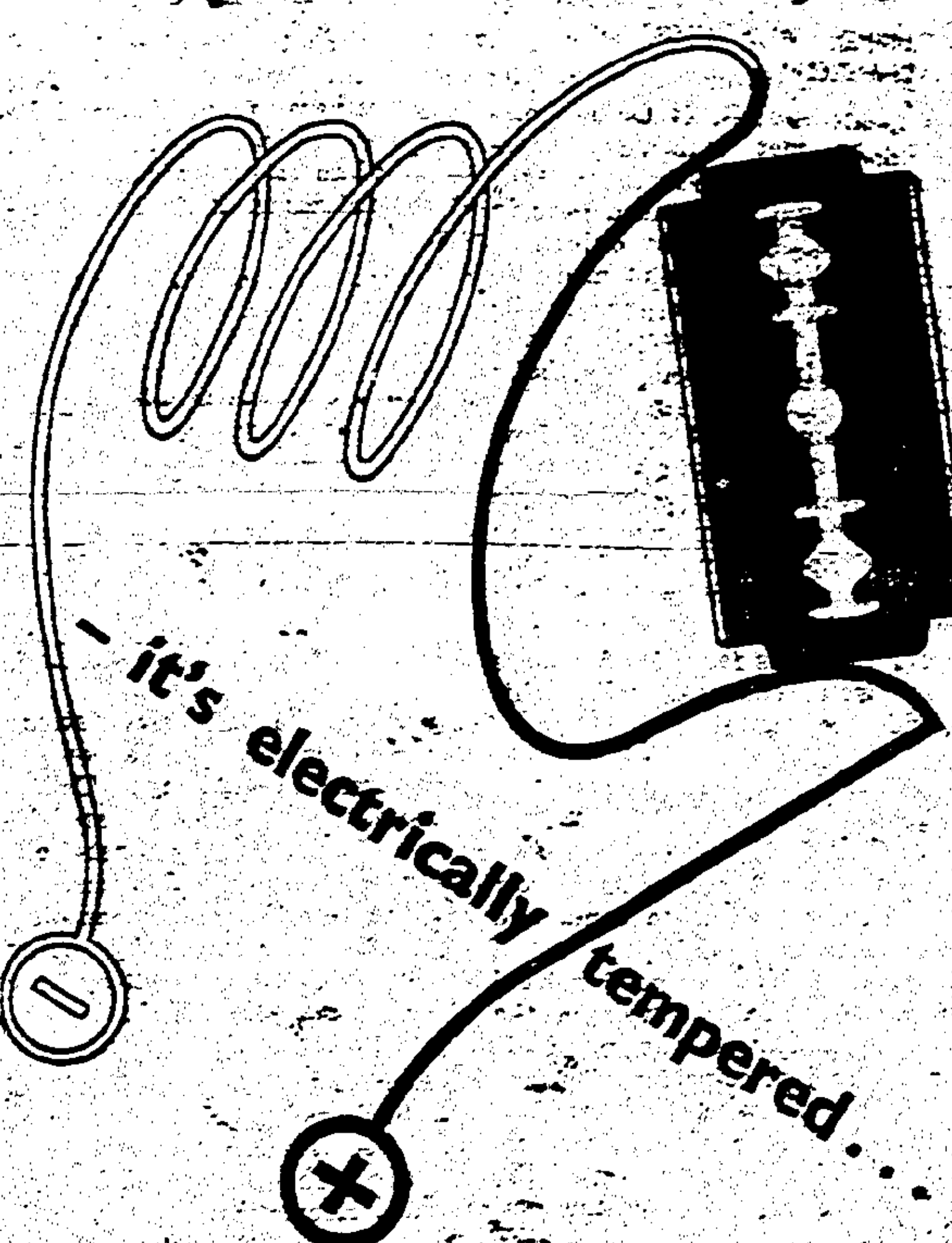
10 p.m.—Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletin.

12 midnight—Close Down.

NOTE—There will be a Chinese Recorded Programme from 2 p.m. on a frequency of 540.

Microphones from 8.10.30 p.m.

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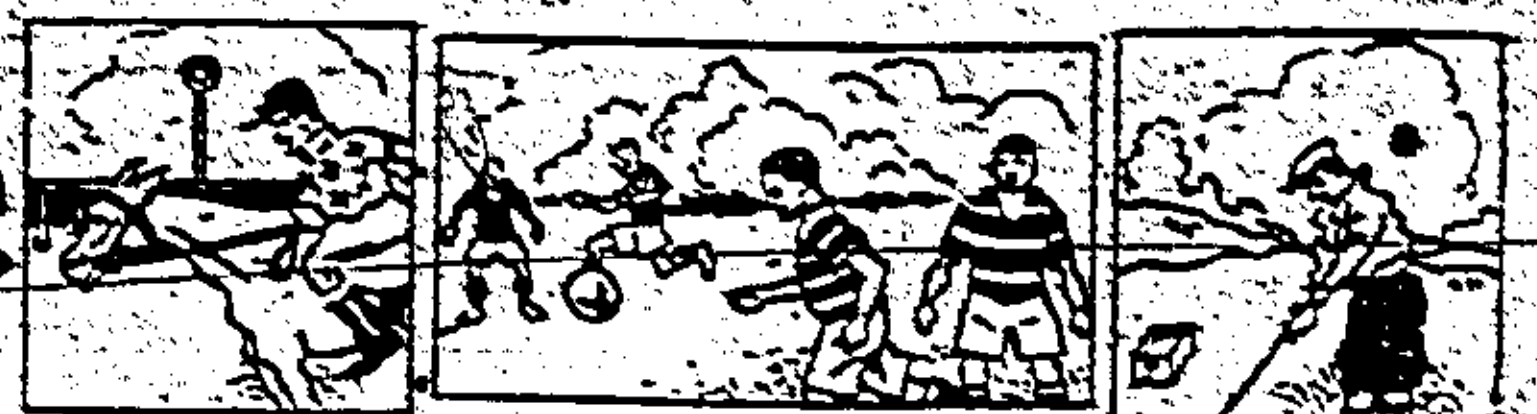
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# Sporting Page



## CLUB WITHOUT STAR WINGS FOR TRIANGULAR RUGBY CLASH

### GOLF NOTES

By "NIBLICK"

PLAYING off a nine handicap, J. D. Thomson returned a net par to take first qualifying place in the Captain's Cup during last week-end at Kowloon.

W. Taylor took second position with 73-68, one stroke behind. A net return of 69 by R. Henderson was just shut out and the other 15 entries tailed off to hefty scores which an obvious optimism had prompted the makers thereof to return.

Ten of the 16 places for the Captain's Cup first round proper are now filled, leaving six blanks to be covered by qualifications on December 21 and 22; December 23 and 29 and January 4 and 5.

### CHAMPIONSHIP SEMIFINAL

A. W. da Rosa shot a gross 74 to beat T. D. Paton by the margin of 3 and 2, and thus enters the final of the Senior competition.

Paton played exceedingly well to reach the semi-finals at his first effort and was by no means disgraced when he fell to the holder.

The other semi-finalists, D. C. Wilson and A. L. Eastman, are to play to-morrow, and, although it is asking for trouble when one attempts predictions, yet I feel sure that the final will be played with the same pair as last year competing.

### CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND ASSOCIATION

THE appeal organized by the Kowloon Golf Club Committee has met with a ready response and I believe that a century of dollars will be handed over in support of this worthy object.

I am asked to remind members that a draw will take place in the Clubhouse to-morrow which will enrich the lucky ones by golf balls etc.

The example set by the Kowloon City Club might be followed with advantage by other sports organisations. Why not have an annual "Sportsman's" effort, the cause is well worthy of all the support that can be given, as it provides sports facilities for those less well endowed with this world's goods.

### OVERHEARD AT THE NINETEENTH

"..... since Garry took up golf he's had less hair to comb and more face to wash."

"..... is Fred a good golfer? Well, if the ball travels in the same direction as the green is placed it's just coincidence."

"..... and when Eustace has had a 'couple' he tells stories during which he trips over the 'points' and sprawls over the conclusion."

"..... his golf has gone off lately because 'son-rise' at their house is 5.30 am."

### CLUB SECONDS BEATEN

When the Hong Kong Hockey Club second eleven met the Nomads in a friendly hockey match at King's Park yesterday C. Barros scored the only goal of the match to give the Nomads victory.

### C.B.A. RECORD WIN

On the C.B.A. ground yesterday the home team beat the Argonauts by three goals to nil in a friendly hockey encounter. C. Fowler scored in the first half while he and his brother, S. Fowler, added further goals after the interval.

## ARMY MAY UPSET CLUB TO-DAY INDIANS ENTERTAINING THE NAVY

### PREMIER CRICKET LEAGUE GAMES

(By "L.B.W.")

TWO very interesting League matches in the First Division of the cricket league will be played this afternoon and some very good cricket should be seen. The Army are playing the Hong Kong Cricket Club on the latter's ground and, after their very good showing against the Navy last week, I am inclined to think they might bring off a win, though this will depend on whether they can get the Club side out cheaply enough.

The Indians are at home to the Navy, and though on paper they should get the points there is always Lt. M. K. Branwell to reckon with.

There are also two League matches in the Second Division, the Police being at home to the Recreation, while the Navy juniors will meet the I.R.C. second eleven at King's Park. Despite the fact that the Police sprung a surprise last week when they beat the Navy, I fancy the Recreation's chances, while the Indians should take both points from the Navy juniors.

The Army will be without Capt. Persse in their match against the Club, and have brought in Sgt. Daniels in his place. Persse showed good form with the bat last week, and it is a pity that he should have to go away (for the week-end) but the other Army batsmen all batted well against the Navy so that they should not be unduly worried over Persse's absence, especially as Daniels is reputed to be a fairly good bat.

### Army's Bowling

So far as the bowling is concerned, Lt. Garthwaite has now fully recovered from his hand injury and will no doubt bear the brunt of the attack with the help of Ballard, King, Elvin and Bonavia.

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### ST. JOHN'S CLUB TRIUMPH

Taikoo Beaten By 6 Sets To 3

### FIRE BRIGADE CLEAN SWEEP

Contrary to all expectations last night in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League, the Taikoo Recreation Club were defeated by the St. John's Club by 6 sets to 3 at Quarry Bay, while at Causeway Bay Kowloon Tong added another defeat to their record by being beaten by 7 sets to 2 by the Chinese Recreation Club.

In their encounter with the Club de Recreation "A" team, the Sailors and Soldiers' Home lost all nine sets. A similar overwhelming win was also secured by the Fire Brigade Recreation Club in their match against the St. Andrew's Club.

Detailed results were as follows:

### St. Andrew's Swamped

At the St. Andrew's Church Hall last night, the Fire Brigade Recreation Club beat the St. Andrew's Club by 9 sets to nil:

St. Andrew's: 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0.

Fire Brigade: 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15.

St. Andrew's: 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, 15-0.

Fire Brigade: 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15, 0-15.

### CAER CLARK HOLDERS SHOULD BEAT RECREIO

Ladies Make Two Changes

PORTUGUESE TEAM MUST IMPROVE SHOOTING

The Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club, holders of the Caer Clark Cup, will meet the Recreation Ladies in their tournament match at Sookmoo this afternoon, and though the latter are a much improved side, the odds are on the holders, who should win a closely contested game by a narrow margin.

Both teams will be making one change from the sides that turned out last week. For the Hong Kong Ladies, Miss M. Sleep will play instead of Miss R. Hebling at right-half, while Miss E. Rosario will take Miss L. Silva-Netto's place (left-half) in the Recreation line-up.

Recreation Weak Forwards

From what was seen of the Recreation forwards in their seven-sided match against the "Y" Ladies on Thursday, their shooting is very weak and they will have to do very much better if they are going to win more matches.

Their defence is sound, with Miss C. Osmund outstanding, though Miss O. Botelho is not as consistent as she might be.

As regards the Hong Kong Ladies, their strong point is their defence, with Miss Grey and Miss J. Smalley at back, and Mrs. Lunson in goal.

H. K. Ladies: Mrs. J. Lunson; Miss E. Grey, Miss J. Smalley; Miss M. Sleep, Mrs. M. Bell, Miss E. Glover; Miss S. Marsh, Miss H. Hance and Miss K. Ferguson.

Recreation Ladies: Miss Z. Barros; Miss C. Osmund, Miss O. Botelho, Miss E. Xavier, Miss M. Alves, Miss E. Rosario, Miss B. Remedios, Miss C. Botelho, Miss C. Silva, Miss A. Alves and Miss M. Figueiro.

## Sid Brews Say British Golfers Are Much Improved

London, December 14.—British professional golfers have improved remarkably the past three years and can now be rated ahead of the Americans, in the opinion of Sid Brews, South African golfer, just returned from a visit to the United States.

"It is the contrast of style of play that brought me to that conclusion," stated Brews.



R. H. Griffiths, above, a member of the Rugby section of the Hong Kong Football Club, is expected back from leave very soon.

### ROVER'S FORECAST

The following is the forecast for the week-end fixtures, giving the favoured team in capital letters:

TO-DAY	
SENIOR SHIELD	S. CHINA "B" v. Lincoln
FUSILIERS	(Caroline Hill, 4.00 p.m.)
Club	v. Kowloon (Sookmoo, 4.00 p.m.)
St. Joseph's	v. EAST LANCES (Club, 4.00 p.m.)
JUNIOR SHIELD	(Kowloon, 4.00 p.m.)
Air Force	v. ENGINEERS (Sookmoo, 2.30 p.m.)
NAVY	v. Kowloon (Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)
Club	v. LIGA (Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)
ATHLETIC	v. PORTUGUESA (Club, 2.30 p.m.)
TO-MORROW	
Athletic	v. S. CHINA "A" (Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)
Medicals	v. JUNIOR SHIELD
Chinese Police	v. LINCOLNS (Kowloon, 4 p.m.)
South China	v. EAST LANCES (Kowloon, 4 p.m.)
FUSILIERS	(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)
	v. R.A.O.C. & R.A.S.C. (Sookmoo, 4 p.m.)

### S.R.U.F.C. ACCEPT INTERPORT INVITATION

The Shanghai Rugby Union Football Club have accepted the invitation of the Rugby Section of the Hong Kong Football Club to an Interport contest to be held at Happy Valley on Saturday, January 25, 1936.

### UNION HOCKEY XI BEAT RADIO

Jaggeet Singh Nets Winning Goal

In a friendly hockey encounter played at Caroline Hill yesterday, the Union Hockey eleven defeated a Radio team by the odd goal in three after sharing two goals in the first half.

The game was very fast throughout, Jaggeet Singh opening the scoring for the winners early in the opening half, only for S. Chowdhury, the Radio inside-right, to equalise just before the interval.

The second half produced a ding-dong struggle in which both pivots, Jaggeet Singh, for the Union, and Hassan, for the Radio, shone. Eventually Jaggeet Singh broke through the Radio defence to net the winning goal a few minutes before the final whistle.

## BUT NAVY WILL BE WITHOUT LANE

### FERGUSON & HUTCHISON FOR CLUB "A"

CIVILIANS' NEWCOMER

FOLLOWING their first defeat in the tournament at the hands of the Army last Saturday, the Royal Navy will entertain the Club first fifteen in their Triangular Tournament Rugby encounter at Causeway Bay this afternoon, and some thrilling play is anticipated.

Both sides have been handicapped by injuries, the Club being without the services of H. R. McGilchrist, their brilliant right wing-threequarter, who has not yet recovered from a sprained ankle, and B. O'M Deane, who injured his hip a fortnight ago in a friendly game.

Gallagher will be seen on the right-wing, supported by Meeks, who has been successfully tried as a centre-threequarter.

### C.B.A. LADIES SHOULD DEFEAT SAINTS TO-DAY

Miss Blackmore Rested

KEEN ENCOUNTER ANTICIPATED

The St. Andrew's Ladies are not making any changes in their team for their Caer Clark Cup hockey match against the C. B. A. Ladies on the latter's ground this afternoon, but the home team is making one change. Miss O. Peters coming into the side, as Miss R. Blackmore is being rested this week.

The C.B.A. will start favourites and St. Andrew's will do well to keep an eye on Miss M. Rysson, who is not only an excellent pivot, but a player who advances with her forwards and can hit very hard.

Although they lost to the champions last week, the C.B.A. beat the "Y" Ladies earlier in the season, while St. Andrew's Ladies have not been very impressive so far.

C.B.A. Ladies: Miss P. Best; Miss P. Woolley, Miss F. K. Walker; Miss P. Woolley, Miss M. Bryson, Miss P. Everett, Miss E. Bonavia, Miss M. Smith, Mrs. M. White, Miss O. Peters and Miss D. Hunt.

St. Andrew's Ladies: Mrs. R. Rose; Miss G. White, Miss R. Stephenson; Miss L. Jorge, Miss J. Wong, Miss M. Chan, Miss F. Wong, Mrs. N. Lee, Miss P. Gittins, Miss J. Rooker and Miss I. Gittins.

### ONE BRAUN CUP MATCH TO-DAY

H.K. Ladies Should Beat "Y" Juniors

In addition to the two Caer Clark Cup matches this afternoon the "Y" Ladies' second string will meet the Hong Kong Ladies' juniors in a Braun Cup match, the outcome of which will probably result in a win for the latter by a comfortable margin.

The Hong Kong Ladies will be without the services of Miss V. Blackburn, who is leaving town for the week-end, and there are two other vacancies in addition which must be filled.

The "Y" Ladies will be represented by their usual team, with Miss Bradbury leading the attack.

### VILLA'S NEW FIND

Aston Villa have signed Charles Drinkwater, outside left of Golders Green, who was given a trial in a Central League match at Bolton in which he gave a good display.

Chambers will hook for the first time in a Triangular match, with McElney and Walkden as the two other front row forwards.

In the absence of Lt. Lane, the brilliant Navy right wing three-quarters, who is still on the injured list, Paym. Lt. Biggie will move over to the wing position with Tel. Jones as his centre.

Preceding the big match, the Navy will field an "A" fifteen against one from the Club.

J. Hutchison, who played stand-off half for the Club last season with conspicuous success, has returned to the Colony, but will be seen for the "A" fifteen in support of Powell at the base of the scrum. A dashing player with an enormous amount of energy and speed at his disposal, he should give the Navy backs something to think about.

J. J. Ferguson, the former Club wing-threequarter, will make his first appearance as a centre three-quarter in support of Desmond Hynes, and with Black and Wilson on the right-wing the Club should be well served in their defence.

Club XV: L. G. Robertson; Gallagher, H. G. Macdonald, A. M. W. Scott and L. J. A. Fyfe; A. F. J. Butcher and A. L. Bonnar; J. E. McElney, G. S. Chambers, A. T. Walkden, W. E. Peers, S. H. Garrod, M. S. Cumming, W. P. Humphreys and P. J. McGagan.

Navy XV: Mech. Thomas (Dorsetshire); Paym. Lt. Biggie (Kent); Tel. Jones (Parthian); Lt. S. Blair-Ford (Orpheus); and Lt. Fraser, R.M. (Dorsetshire); Lt. Misses (Rainbow) and Lt. Knox (Parthian); Lieut. Light (Dorsetshire); P. O. Wyman (Dorsetshire); Lt. Morris (Falmouth); Paym. Lt. Sowerman (Kent); Tel. King (Tamar); A. B. Evans (Dorsetshire); Lt. Winter (Rainbow); Lt. Baker (Dorsetshire).

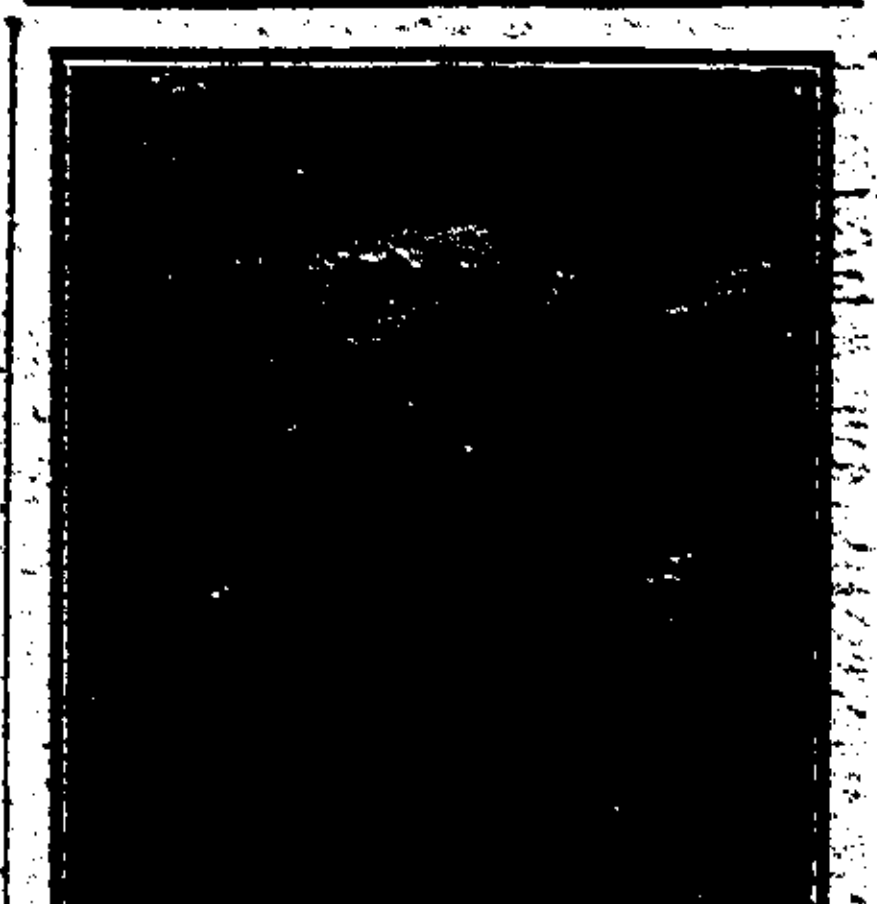
Club "A" XV: K. R. Aiers; P. C. E. Black, G. S. Wilson, J. J. Ferguson and D. A. Hynes; J. Hutchinson and J. C. Powell; E. D. G. Barlow, J. S. Dunnet, W. B. N. Anderson, R. Hynes, J. H. Hawke, A. B. Cox, K. A. Munro and A. K. Forsyth.

### GILLINGHAM'S PROBLEM

Two Goal-Scoring Centre-Forwards

Gillingham F. C. hold a better position in the Third Division of the Football League than they have done for some time past, and they have moreover two reliable centre-forwards in Bond and Baldwin.

On the strength of scoring five goals in a Kent League game, Bond was promoted to the first team to the exclusion of Baldwin. Not to be outdone, Baldwin performed a similar feat in his second game with the reserves. Now the question of being asked which of the two players will be given the first team berth.



Higgins, above, will make his last soccer appearance in the Colony when the Lincoln meet South China "B" in the Senior Shield this afternoon.

### SOUTH CHINA "B" AND LINCOLNS IN LAST ENCOUNTER

TO-DAY'S SENIOR SHIELD CLASH

### GOOD PROGRAMME

The cold weather having definitely settled in now, to-day's soccer programme, comprising four Senior and four Junior Shield First Round matches, should provide some very interesting clashes. The outstanding match, however, will probably be the last encounter between South China "B", the holders of the Senior Shield, and the Lincolns, who will be leaving the Colony early next month for India.

The Lincolns are relying upon the same team which has carried them through the majority of their matches this season, Moody, at right-back, being the only recent newcomer.

Undefeated Yet

South China "B" are still without a right-half, but this position may be filled by Tong Kwan, who has hitherto not played for over two months.

South China "B" have not yet suffered defeat this season, although they have been forced to a draw on three occasions—all in the Senior League!

The Fusiliers, despite their pitiful showing against Kowloon a fortnight ago in the League, should win to-day's encounter easily.

The Saints and the Recreation are likely to produce very fine soccer with the odds evenly distributed. Neither team has as yet exhibited consistent form and the match will depend to a great extent upon the defences.

There are four Junior Shield matches down for decision, the Sappers, holders, encountering the Airmen at Sookmoo, where an exciting struggle is anticipated.

### Navy's Challenge

In the other games, the Navy, who have always represented the strongest challengers for the Junior Shield, are expected to enter the Second Round at the expense of Kowloon, while both the Liga and the Athletic should record wins against the Club and Recreation, respectively.

To-morrow South China "A", the present League champions, and probably the finest soccer side in China to-day, will encounter the Athletic in their Chinese "Derby" clash in the Senior Shield, while four other interesting Junior Shield matches are also down for decision.

### MOST COLOURFUL FIGHTER

With Jack McAvoy already set to go to America it looks as if there will be a thinning down of the ranks of some of our most colourful fighters in the near future. —Norman Hurst.

### WINNER TAKE ALL

Dave Crowley, of Clerkenwell, has challenged Johnny King, of Manchester, the British bantam-weight champion, to a fight at £100 a side and a purse on a winner-take-all basis.



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## FINAL CALL-OVER FOR TO-DAY

Betting On Last Race  
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### WADEBRIDGE HOTTEST FAVOURITE

The final call-over at the local Victoria Club for the Final Extra Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, to be held this afternoon at Happy Valley, took place yesterday evening. Betting, however, will be accepted up to the time each respective race starts.

The results of the call-over up to 5 p.m. yesterday were as follows:

Race 1. December Handicap. One Mile.

Booting Eve (140) 3 to 1; Harvest View (161) 6 to 1; High Speed (150) 8 to 1; 10 to 1; King's Fancy (158) 4 to 1; and 5; Lumbago (140) 10 to 1; Soldier of China (150) 4 to 1; and 5; Soldier of Germany (151) 4 to 1; and 5; The Tiger (155) 5 to 4; and 5; Wembley Stag (140) 33 to 1; and 5; Ythan (140) 20 to 1.

Race 2. Australian Champion Stakes. One And A Quarter Miles.

Bag Tor 2 to 1; 5 to 2; Sancy Face 10 to 1; Southern Cross 10 to 1; Vixen Tor 3 to 1; and 5; Racing Heart 3 to 1; 4 to 1; Night Star 8 to 1; and 5; Cold Morning 10 to 1; and 5; Shooting Star 10 to 1; and 5; Snowy River 10 to 1.

Race 3. Dilatory Handicap. One Mile.

Festival Eve (147) 6 to 1; and 5; Flying Tourist (161) 4 to 1; 5 to 1; Glad Eyes (165) 33 to 1; Gold Bullion 10 to 1; Heart's Glory (158) 4 to 1; and 5; Lumbago (140) 12 to 1; Mersey (140) 33 to 1; and 5; Partnership (140) 3 to 1; and 5; Plain View (157) 5 to 1; and 5; Popular Star (140) 20 to 1; and 5; Solar Star (140) 10 to 1; and 5; Tullucum (155) 6 to 1; and 5; and 5; Warrington (140) 6 to 1; and 5.

Race 4. Champion Stakes. One And A Quarter Miles.

Cosack's Beauty 4 to 1; and 5; Gladiator 2 to 1; and 5; King's Warden 1 to 1; and 5; King's Justice 10 to 1; and 5; Soldier of Britain 3 to 1; and 5; Macaroni 20 to 1.

Race 5. Last Chance Handicap. One Mile.

Blacksmith (140) 4 to 1; 5 to 1; Forgemaster (144) 3 to 1; and 5; Locksley Hall (140) 4 to 1; and 5; The Deemster (153) 12 to 1; and 5; The Tiger (155) 2 to 1; and 5; and 5; Sub-Griffin's Champion Stakes. One And A Quarter Miles.

Emergency Call 20 to 1; and 5; Rain Gauge 20 to 1; and 5; Beginner's Luck 20 to 1; and 5; Valley View 5 to 1; and 5; Wadebridge (Three To One On); Lucky Strike 20 to 1; and 5; Propitious Time 20 to 1; and 5; Double Chance 6 to 1; and 5; Belmont Star 20 to 1; and 5; Nebolus Star 20 to 1; and 5; Sci-da 20 to 1.

Race 6. Tardy Handicap. One Mile.

Bright Star (158) 3 to 1; and 5; Foxbridge (158) 12 to 1; and 5; Lumbago (153) 12 to 1; and 5; Night View (153) 6 to 1; and 5; Pacific Hall (153) 20 to 1; and 5; Racing Boy (145) 4 to 1; and 5; Royal Romance (145) 5 to 1; and 5; Spinnaway (145) 6 to 1; and 5; Valor (155) 3 to 1; and 5; Zero (147) 5 to 1; and 5.

Race 7. Final Handicap. One Mile.

Alacrity (141) 3 to 1; and 5; Atlas (157) 4 to 1; 5 to 1; Australia Boy (145) 4 to 1; 5 to 1; and 5; Empire Day (135) 10 to 1; and 5; Halcyon (135) 3 to 1; and 5; High Finance (135) 10 to 1; and 5; Sancy Face (165) 10 to 1; and 5; Southern Cross (165) 10 to 1; and 5; St. Joan (135) 12 to 1; and 5; Streamline (145) 10 to 1; and 5; Victoria Double (Selections from the Tardy and Dilatory Handicaps): 400 to 10; and 5.



Jack Peterson, above, will be defending his British Empire Heavyweight title against Len Harvey in the near future.

### ST. JOHN'S CLUB TRIUMPH

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#### Recreio's Easy Win

At Wanchai last night, the Club de Recreio beat the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home by 9 sets to nil.

D. Waylen and Miss G. Deig (S. and S. Home) beat M. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva 11-21.

S. Silva beat J. J. Remedios and Miss S. Silva 3-21.

lost to N. Beltrao and Miss M. Silva 16-21.

Yang Chan and Mrs. A. B. Brown (S. and S. Home) beat M. Oliveira and Silva 2-21.

lost to Remedios and Silva 10-21.

lost to Beltrao and Ribeiro 7-21.

L. C. Gibbons and Mrs. M. Moy (S. and S. Home) beat M. Oliveira and Silva 2-21.

lost to Remedios and Silva 3-21.

lost to Beltrao and Ribeiro 6-21.

#### Kowloon Tong Lose

At Causeway Bay last night, the Chinese Recreation Club beat the Kowloon Tong Club by 7 sets to 2.

S. P. Chand and Mrs. T. F. Lo (C.R.C.) beat S. A. Gray and Miss A. Mackenzie 21-10.

beat P. Leung and Mrs. G. A. White 21-4.

beat G. A. White and Miss M. Bryson 21-0.

W. C. Chey and Miss W. Cheung (C.R.C.) beat Gray and MacKenzie 16-21.

beat Leung and White 21-4.

beat White and Bryson 21-0.

G. W. Liang and Miss U. Khoo (C.R.C.) beat Gray and MacKenzie 12-21.

beat Leung and White 21-10.

beat White and Bryson 21-8.

#### St. John's Win

At Quarry Bay last night, the St. John's Club beat the Tai Koo Recreation Club by 6 sets to 3.

T. Stainton and Miss J. Summers (Tai Koo) beat P. H. Kwok and Miss Smith 14-2.

lost to R. Koh and Mrs. Leung 14-2.

beat D. Kwok and Miss McCall 21-14.

C. Summers and Miss R. Summers (Tai Koo) lost to Kwok and Smith 8-21.

lost to Koh and Barlow 9-21.

beat Kwok and McCall 21-11.

A. W. Norrie and Miss I. Cunningham (Tai Koo) lost to Kwok and Smith 13-21.

lost to Koh and Barlow 14-21.

beat Kwok and McCall 21-15.

#### LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

Games	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Fire Brigade	4	4	0	23	7	8
Recreio "B"	4	3	1	23	8	6
Recreio "A"	3	3	0	22	0	6
C. R. C.	4	3	1	25	2	6
St. Andrew's	4	2	2	13	23	4
Tai Koo	5	1	4	10	25	2
St. John's	5	2	3	20	25	2
Kowloon Tong	4	0	3	9	27	0
S. and S. Home	3	0	3	1	26	0

## BRITISH BOXERS EAT TOO MUCH CANADIAN EXPRESSES HIS VIEWS

### HARVEY LIKES GOOD BREAKFAST

(By Montague Smith)

London, November 13.

CHARLIE BELANGER, light-heavy-weight boxing champion of Canada, has discovered why there has been a shortage of British boxing champions in recent years. British fighters, he says, eat too much.

"At my training camp in England," he adds, "we always had our tea and biscuits in bed before doing any work in the morning. Then we did a little road work, ate an enormous breakfast, had a snack at noon, luncheon at one o'clock, a great big English dinner at six o'clock, and topped it off with ale, bread and cheese before retiring."

"Englishmen can 'take it,' but they will have to change their style of training to be world-beaters."

His observations lose a good deal of weight—if one may put it so—when considered in relation to certain facts. Belanger won all his 20 bouts in England; he intends to make England his permanent home after his next fight in New York this month; he proposes to marry an English girl, and to buy a public-house in London.

The question which he raises, however, is one that must interest all "hemen," and inquiries into the matter reveal a considerable divergence of opinion.

#### Mina Differs

Goga Mina, the 7ft. 6in., 24-stone Rumanian boxer, who is now on his way to England, is not on the side of the sylphs. He normally eats 24lb. of food a day, and three grilled steaks are merely an incident in his midday meal.

Len Harvey, in an account of his diet, declared himself in favour of a good breakfast with fish or eggs and bacon; roast meat with three or four vegetables and a sweet for luncheon; and a light meal for dinner, consisting mainly of an omelette, fish, and salad or vegetables.

Petersen was on the whole extremely abstemious in the matter of food, especially just before his big fights, when his only sustenance would consist of three or four eggs beaten up in milk with some dry toast.

#### Good Dinner

One of the best known British boxing trainers whom I consulted advocated the following daily routine: Cup of tea, but nothing to eat, in bed before getting up at 6 a.m.; bath; two hours' road exercise; breakfast of normal size; morning



## ARMY MAY UPSET CLUB TO-DAY

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The Club will depend on Alec Pearce and E. R. Duckitt principally for the runs, but the rest of the team are also capable of big things. Frost, Redmond, Duckitt and Pearce will bear the brunt of the attack, but I am still of the opinion that a bowler after the style of A.C.I. Bowler is sorely needed.

So far as the I.R.C. Navy match is concerned, I see that A. H. Bunjain has been given a place in the team again, but I have since learned that he will not be able to play. Their star batsman, A. H. Madar, has not been well for some time, but he is playing to-day, though I doubt if he has completely recovered.

Surg. Lt. Kirkwood and Surg. Lt. Davenport, based so well against the Army last week that I am looking to them to obtain most of the runs for the Navy. As far as Lt. Brannwell is concerned, he has been showing such poor form so far that one hardly knows what to expect from him. There is little doubt that he is easily the best left-handed batsman in the Colony, but that he has struck a very bad patch. The result of the match will probably depend on him.

#### The Friendly

The Kowloon Cricket Club will entertain the Civil Service Cricket Club in a friendly and should have no difficulty in winning, while the Diocesan Boys' School will probably give the Craigieburn juniors a good game and the H.K.C.C. second eleven will probably beat the Engineers at Sookimpo.

#### Selected Teams

I.R.C.—P. D. Pereira (Capt.), A. H. Madar, S. A. Ismail, M. el Arculi, F. R. Minn, Y. el Arculi, K. Nazarin, M. P. Madar, A. S. Saffad, A. R. Abbas and A. N. Other.  
The Army—Major J. J. Bonavia, Capt. L. J. Walsh, Lt. C. C. Garthwhite, Lt. E. M. Dawson, Lt. J. P. Williams, Lt. J. R. Johnson, Lt. C. E. Clegg, Lt. C. S. M. Elvin, Sgt. Daniels and Cpl. Ballard.  
Royal Navy 1st XI—Lt. Brannwell, Lt. Bartley, Surg. Lt. Kirkwood, Lt. Humming, Surg. Lt. Davenport, Engr. Comdr. Davis, Tel. Tufnell, Lt. Nic, E. R. A. Day, Lt. Walsh and L. S. Moore.  
Royal Navy 2nd XI—Lt. Comdr. Barry, E. R. A. Chippa, Capt. E. R. A. Vickery, L. S. Hinde, A. E. Dale, O. D. Dawe, Mr. Barker, Lt. Comdr. Garwood, Surg. Lt. Comdr. Belcher, E. R. A. Keston and S. R. A. Robinson.  
Recreio—A. M. Prata, E. M. L. Soares, P. J. Remedios, J. W. Barnes, G. A. Gutierrez, A. M. Remedios, A. F. Noronha, W. A. Reed, C. N. Gosano, L. G. Gosano and L. G. Silva.

## Fanling Race Meeting Entries For December 22

The following are the starters and handicaps for the Fanling Hunt and Race Club's Christmas Meeting, to be held at Kwantia on December 22:

Race No. 1—"The Canberra Handicap"—A steeplechase of 1 1/4 miles for Australian ponies. Winner A Cup or \$50; 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. Entry Fee \$3.

Belinda (155), Black Magic (140), Empire Day (156), Flummary (160), Lucy Glitter (147), Noble Amazon (145) and The Giraffe (155).

Race No. 2—"The St. John Cup"—A hurdle race of 1 1/4 miles. For China ponies. Winners of any hurdle race or steeplechase last season barred. Catchweight 168 lbs. Winner A Cup or \$50; 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. Entry Fee \$3.

Canary, Daylight Eve, Diogenes, Don, Forgemaster, High West, Ike, Iyon Cross, Josephine, King's Parade, Nebular Star, Racing Jack, Racing Pinck, R. L. E., Williams, Tom Cobley, Valley Hall and Wisdom Stag.

Race No. 3—"The Tripo Handicap"—A steeplechase of 1 1/4 miles for China ponies. Winner A Cup or \$50; 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. Entry Fee \$3.

Burgomaster (156), Happy Hill (140), Pride of Tingtau (168), Punch (146), Racing Luck (144), Soldier of Italy (150), Spinnaway (150) and The Snipe (140).

If top weight does not accept, all weights to be raised 10 lbs.

Race No. 4—"The Ladies' Hurdles"—A hurdle race of 1 1/4 miles. For China ponies. Winners of any hurdle race or steeplechase last season barred. To be ridden by ladies.

Winner A Cup or \$50; 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. Entry Fee \$3. A souvenir will be presented to the winning rider.

Diogenes (145), Nebular Star (140), The Bogle (late Wonderful Chivalry) (140), The Snipe (140), Tummell (130), West Parade (148), William Oaker (142), Windfield (130) and Zhang (130).

Race No. 5—"The December Country Cup—Division A"—Over a country course of approximately 3 miles finishing on the Race Course. For China Ponies. Catchweight 168 lbs. Winner A Cup or \$50; 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. Entry Fee \$3.

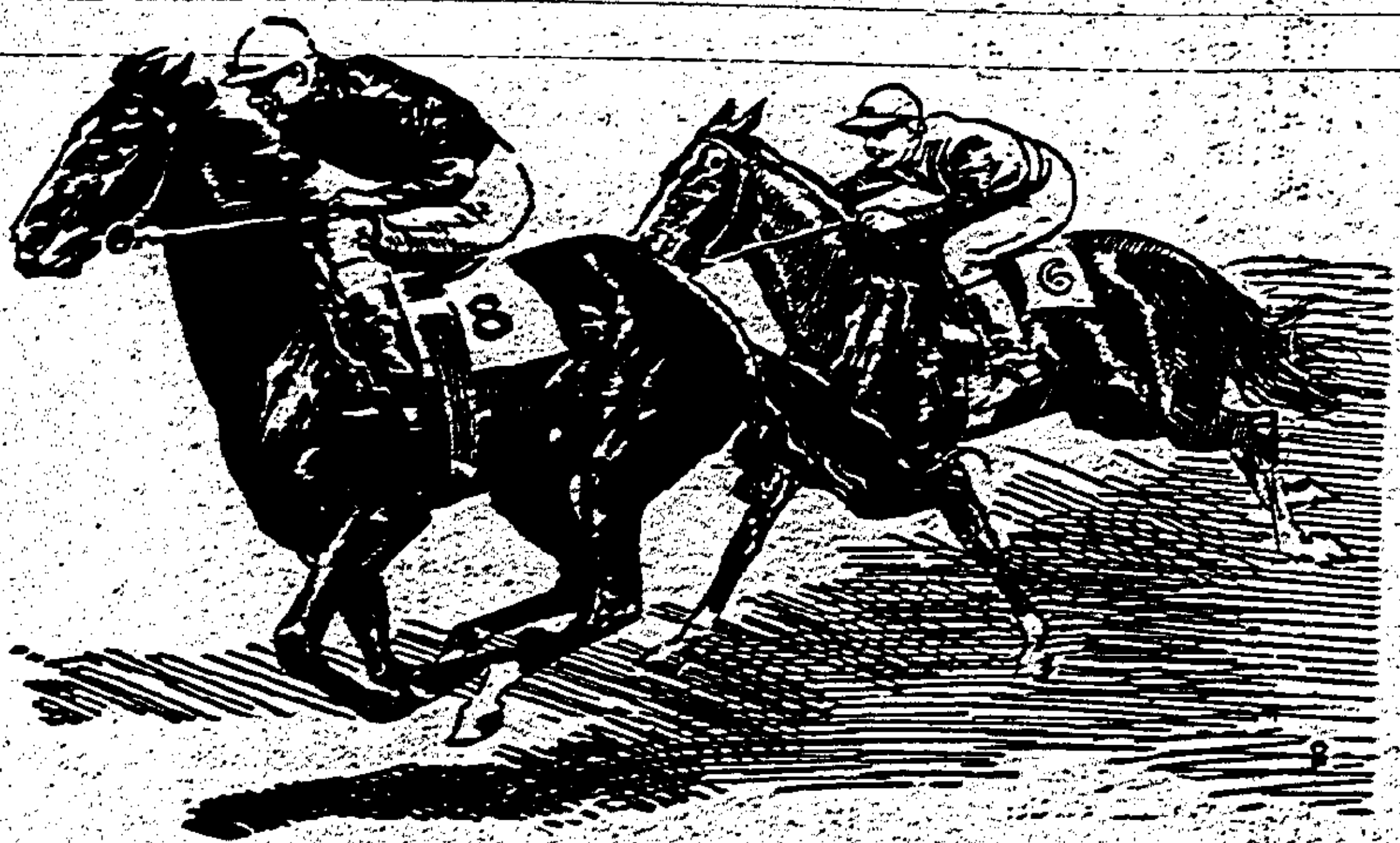
(Note:—Owing to the large number of entries received the race has been divided into two divisions. The following draw has been made. No rider may compete in more than one division.)

Burgomaster, Festival Eve, Jack O' Lantern, No. Fear, Punch, Racing Ocean, Spinnaway, Wakefield and Winchester Stag.

Race No. 6—"The December Country Cup—Division B"—Over a country course of approximately 2 miles finishing on the Race Course. For China ponies. Catchweight 168 lbs. Winner A Cup or \$50; 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. Entry Fee \$3.

(Note:—Owing to the large number of entries received the race has been divided into two divisions. The following draw has been made. No rider may compete in more than one division.)

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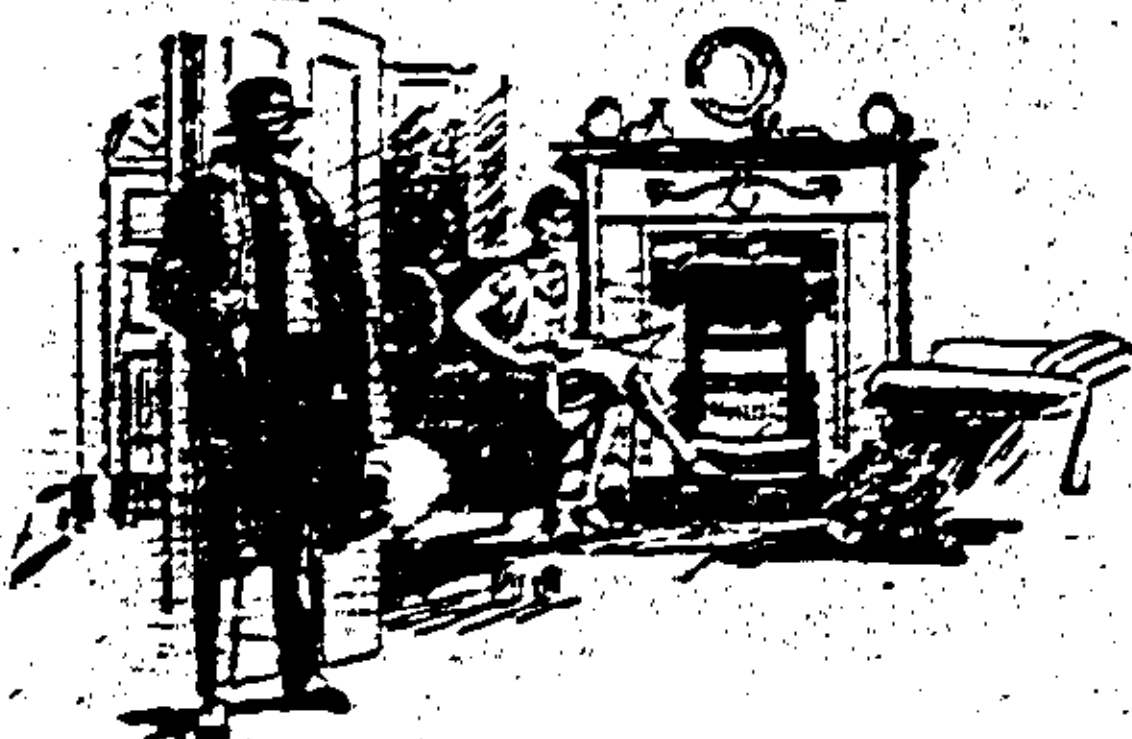
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### The Laval Proposals

In order to unravel the tangled skein of the proposals said to have been made by France and Great Britain for the settlement of the war it is well to realise that they are not the same sort of proposals as would be made by a country negotiating in the old style in its own interests. Even at the risk of seeming to labour a subject that is at first sight not at all attractive, one must emphasise that at every stage of these negotiations new precedents are being made that may affect the method of dealing with Oriental conflicts in the future if they are successful.

We must go back to the demand made 20 years ago, that foreign affairs should be arranged by "open diplomacy." This was reaffirmed by President Wilson in his historical "fourteen points," that we should have "open agreements openly arrived at." The professional diplomat has always disbelieved in the possibility of any such method. To weigh against that is the strong argument that the secret methods have failed disastrously in that they called upon the self-governing nations to fight a war on which they had not been previously consulted, and that they were not prepared to run the risk of that happening again, and would refuse to fight under the same circumstances. Then came a long period in which legal arguments about the defective drafting of the Covenant and the practical obstacles of open discussion were allowed to defeat the whole scheme of which the League was the one solid achievement. It was gradually seen that the counsels of caution were leading to as great dangers as could possibly be incurred by any other kind of diplomacy, and the argument that it was absurd to say that the new system was a failure before it had been tried was accepted as irrefutable. We are now watching the trial of the new method.

Let us look at the problem from that point of view. The old plan was to make demands, and to state that if they were not granted war would follow. The new is to avoid war, or if war has broken out, to stop it. It is therefore an essential part of the procedure to remain on terms of bargaining or advice with both parties to a quarrel, and we find that friendly discussions with Italy have been continuous, even after hostilities had begun. The next requirement of the new position was that it was necessary for the Powers that might be called upon to carry out a determination by the League, to preserve a united front, and the inference from that is that any Power whose aid would be essential can make what proposals it likes in the way of conciliation. France is, of course, in that situation, both from her share of the control of the Mediterranean and from her influence with her Allies, such as the Little Entente countries. However much Sir Samuel Hoare and Mr. Eden may wish to impose their embargoes and have done with it, they have to wait till France consents. If in the meantime Italy has a chance of laying in a big stock of the imports likely to be embargoed, that is a result of not having got the whole scheme into a workable routine yet; it is not a good reason for antagonising France.

The next step in our summary must be to realise that whatever terms Italy may put forward, and however unreasonable they may appear, there is no option but to pass them on to the League. To do so is not even an indication that Great Britain regards them as reasonable, much less that she would use influence to force them upon Ethiopia or the League. They are more like a request for tenders at the very beginning of a bargain. They bring up the subject as a question for consideration, no more.

We can now come to the last step. It is a time-honoured custom for a bargainer to ask for more than he expects to get, and the demands made by Italy at Versailles are enough to show us that that is the accepted procedure of the Italian Foreign Office. Those demands were for a large slice of Asia Minor and large colonies in Africa, in addition to the Trentino and Fiume, and the Eastern shore of the Adriatic. The treaty-makers were not in a position to give those territories away, but there was an air of concession about the acceptance of anything less. Similarly for bargaining purposes at the Naval Conference Italy has on its Navy List two battleships of 35,000 tons of which only the keelplates have been laid, though it is two years since she intimated that she intended to build them.

Anyone who expected the result of M. Laval's confabulations with Il Duce to be a moderate demand, a minimum rather than a maximum, was not taking a realist view of the situation. That the Ethiopian Emperor should reject the first demand was only to be expected. After that the game begins. It must be admitted that at present the Italian advance has not been sufficient to compel submission of the enemy, nor has there been any failure such as would create any modesty of demand. Public discussion may make negotiation very difficult, but at any rate the public is getting the information it demanded.

### LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The Burns Philp Line m.v. Neptune, from Melbourne, Sydney, Salamaua, Rabaul, Sandakan and Manila, left Manila for this port yesterday, and is due to arrive here to-morrow evening.

The second annual ball of the Machine Gun Battalion, H.K.V.D.C., will be held at the Peninsula Hotel on Saturday, January 25, 1936.

One case of diphtheria was reported to the Health authorities during the 24 hours ended on Thursday.

The following is the latest contribution to the Poppy Day Fund: R. A. Association (wreath poppies) \$3, bringing the total to \$13,075.25.

The Hong Kong Government Radio Telegraph Service announces that from next Monday charges for telegrams will be collected at the rate of Dollar 1.05 to equal Gold Franc 1.00.

A notice was issued at the Harbour Office yesterday warning ships' captains that information has been received that a gang of pirates have landed in Hong Kong, with the intention of committing a piracy aboard some steamship departing from this port.

### EXPLANATION OF YESTERDAY'S CARTOON

#### THE BIG POT

THE Big Pot of Banzan, in German Silesia, which furnishes the emblem of this city of potters, has a romantic background. In 1753, a potter's assistant, named Joppe, wooed his master's daughter. Before the proud father gave his consent, he required the aspirant to make a pot of a capacity of 20 bushels of peas. The assistant executed the order to the master's satisfaction and married the girl. Ever since, the Big Pot of Banzan has been kept in the museum of the city.

## Here There and Everywhere

### CERTAIN GAIN

Anti-fascists are telling a story of the King of Italy, who last month made his first public reference to the Italo-Abyssinian conflict.

The story is in various versions. The most popular represents the King as saying that he is the one person who stands to benefit by the Abyssinian imbroglio.

When asked to explain his Majesty replies: "Well, you see, if Mussolini succeeds I'll be King of Abyssinia. And if he fails, why, then I'll be King of Italy."

### B. B. C.'s THEME SONG

Among the appreciative letters received by the B.B.C. from foreign readers was one from a lady in California, in which she said how much pleasure she had had from the Empire broadcast programme, and how she had particularly enjoyed the "theme song."

The B.B.C. people examined their broadcasts anew, but could find no clue to the "theme song," so in acknowledging the letter they asked for information. What was the theme song? It was "God Save The King."

### Your Daily Smile!

Birds do not need to be taught to sing, says a professor. He evidently hasn't listened to those birds on the radio.

"Anything Goes" is soon to be made into a movie. The censors, however, will see it doesn't live up to its title.

### TIT FOR TAT

Wife—"When a man starts to talk he never stops to think."  
Hubby—"And when a woman starts she never thinks to stop."

### GOOD NAMES

Lippy—"And what are you going to call the twins?"  
Sippy—"Well, we've decided to call one 'Kate' and the other 'Duplicate'."

### NOT AFRAID

Wife—"Get up John, there's someone in the room."  
Hubby—"He's a better man than me if he gets anything."

### ADORATION

Percy—"That young bride certainly worships her husband, doesn't she?"  
Agnes—"Well, she places burnt offerings before him three times a day."

## STATE OF MODERATE FATHEADNESS

### HOME DOMESTIC TIFFS ARE BORN

### HUSBANDS AND WIVES MUST BE HONEST TO THEMSELVES

(By Dr. Harold Dearden)

THERE were recently published in a great London daily a series of articles which allowed the public to "listen in" to a series of quarrels between two fictitious characters, a Mr. Ernest and Mrs. Margaret Maily. It was thought that these might be of service to many people in the conduct of their own domestic affairs.

Letters of a widely diverse character have descended upon me like an avalanche and I am encouraged to believe, therefore, that it may not be without interest if I attempt to deal with one or two of the points raised in them.

It has recently been revealed with devastating clarity that there is no lack of initiative and forcefulness in England to-day. Quite a number of gentlemen wrote to me, following the raising of the question in a London paper, at considerable length with regard to the value of an ashplant as a factor in the promotion of domestic bliss, and their sincerity was rendered no less impressive by one's natural assumption that they were bachelors.

Magnificent fellows of this type are clearly in need of no help whatever, yet I cannot but feel that in common fairness I must offer them a word of warning for the future. I have by me at the moment the names and addresses of a number of ladies whose tactics in certain circumstances, if they should happen to marry one of these supermen, would be likely to test their theories to the utmost.

### Two Points

Most of my correspondents, however, have been mainly concerned with two points, in connection with these fictitious scenes between Mr. and Mrs. Maily, both of which, for the sake of convenience, may be stated in the form of direct questions.

1. Were not the Mails an exceptional couple, purposely endowed with every attribute

likely to make it utterly impossible for anyone to live in harmony with them?

2. What fault in human nature is in your opinion at the root of most quarrels between a husband and wife?

Now it so happens that these two questions, though they may appear on the surface to be entirely unrelated, have their roots in a common and very simple psychological fact, and it will therefore be no evasion on my part if I attempt to deal with them simultaneously.

It is less than an hour since I read every one of those twenty-four quarrels between Ernest and Margaret Maily, and I have no hesitation whatever in agreeing, here and now, that in almost every instance either one or both of them appeared to me to be behaving like a fathead.

Ernest's stupidity and maddening egotism and Margaret's almost unbelievable talent for modelling her behaviour on that of an imbecile filled me as I read with nothing but contempt and disgust.

### No Wonder

No wonder, I told myself more than once, that so many readers found it difficult to accept them as average human beings, let alone as two people whose love for each other is supposed to have been sufficient to prompt them to marriage.

Yet honesty forces me to assert that they are, and here indeed lies the practical value of the fact that the Mails have done so much quarrelling in public. They are at once a warning and a fingerpost in the bewildering maze of married life. The plain truth is that a temporary state of moderate fatheadedness is an essential accompaniment to a quarrel of any sort. Let a man be warned that you are trying to pick a quarrel with him, and your efforts are practically foredoomed to failure.

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### "BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley

**TAKE ONE FROM SEVEN AND TWO FROM ELEVEN AND COME OUT EVEN**

**SEVEN ELEVEN**

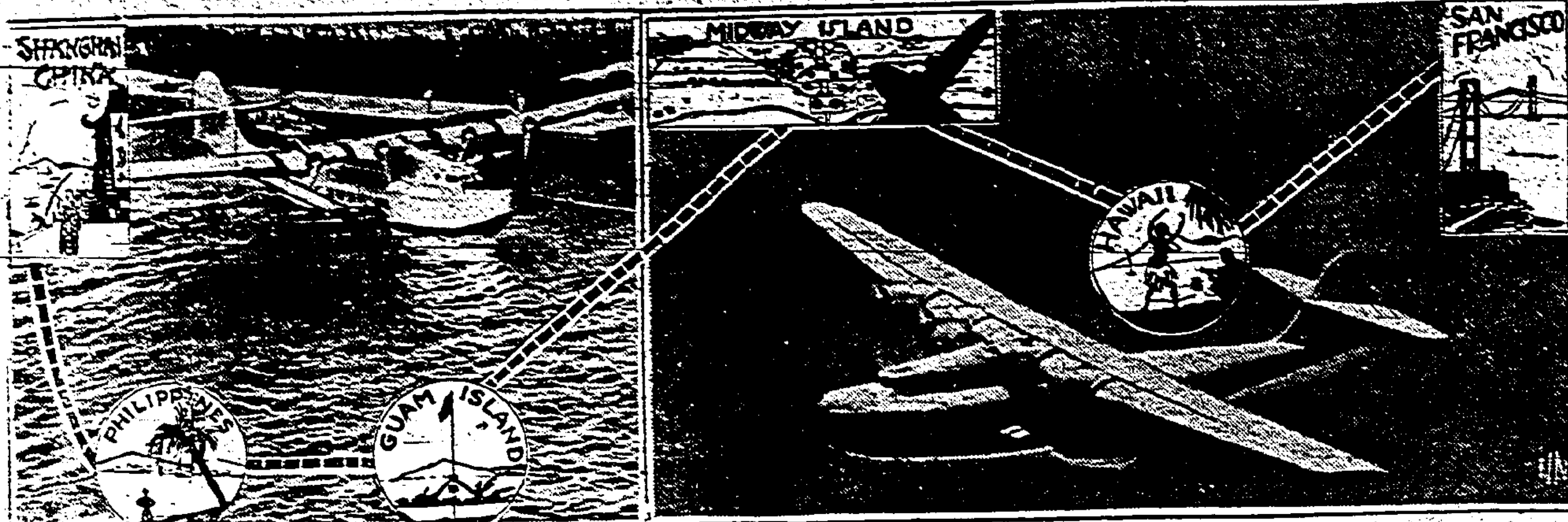
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## PAN-AMERICAN LINE STORY OF AMAZING GROWTH

### INITIATIVE AND ENTERPRISE

THE story of the Pan American Airways, under whose wings the first trans-Pacific flight was achieved last month, is a story of youth, initiative and enterprise.

Behind the organization that has accomplished the stupendous and of the same time glorious undertaking of spanning the Pacific stands the figure of Juan Trippe, probably the youngest of America's executives of this period. He is the president of the Pan American Airways.

It was in the year 1864 when the Trippe family arrived in the United States and settled in what is now Maryland. Generation after generation the family's stalwart sons took to seafaring professions.

The young Pan American executive was born in 1900. Mr. Trippe received his education from the Hill school and Yale. He obtained his first flying experience during the world war. After his discharge from the Government service he graduated from Yale. He found employment in a brokerage concern in New York City after graduation.

In this business he spent many unhappy years. He disliked it altogether. The call of the air seemed strong and in it he visualized a great future. He had had a taste in flying and saw the growing importance of commercial aviation.

#### Powerful Packing

He, therefore, approached three of his friends, Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney, William Vanderbilt and Percy Rockefeller, for the necessary financial backing. He laid out before them his plan to form a commercial airline. He was not to be discouraged or disappointed. They understood him right away.

Thus was the United States Air Mail Route No. 1-Colonial Airways (Boston to New York) organized in 1926. The following year the company started business as the first international airline operating out of the United States under the name of Pan American Airways.

#### 90-Mile Service

It covered a 90-mile aerial service between Key West and Havana. This was really the beginning of the service that now covers some 80,000 miles of air lines, including the new trial blazed last month to Manila. Thus the 90-mile aerial ferry service begun in 1927 has now become the largest in the world, with only British Imperial Airways as its nearest competitor.

In 1932 Pan American started purchasing airlines and routes outside of the North-South American regular lanes. The Alaskan Airways and the Pacific International Airways were among those acquired. A year later Pan American joined with the Chinese National Government to form the Chinese National Aviation Corporation. Shortly after steps were taken to secure a franchise from the Philippine Government, which granted it only this year.

#### Pacific Route

The extension of the Pan American activities to China and the Philippines was part of the gigantic scheme of establishing a serial route across the Pacific, a goal attained by the arrival in Manila last month of the 'China Clipper.'

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## SEAPLANE OF 200 TONS

### FORESHADOWED BY RESEARCH

#### Noise Reduction Also Foreseen

London. The building of very large passenger aircraft, up to 200 tons weight, is predicted in the 1934-35 report of the Aeronautical Research Committee, issued last month.

"A seaplane appears to be in many ways more suitable for this purpose," it is stated, "and the possible development of a 200-ton flying-boat has been discussed with representatives of the leading firms. No fundamental difficulties of construction are apparent."

Further progress has been made in the reduction of noise in aircraft—mainly in connection with exhaust silencers. Exhaust noise has been reduced below the level of the engine clatter, making a very striking change.

#### Unending Problems

"So far as passengers are concerned," it is added, "the noise of motion through the air may be greater than that of an engine fitted with a silencer. The problems encountered in endeavouring to silence aeroplanes are unending."

One cause of engine failure—the formation of ice in the carburettor—has been eliminated by adding a small quantity of alcohol to the petrol. An apparatus has now been devised which detects the onset of freezing and supplies alcohol only until the ice has been dispersed.

The report predicts that in the future engines for commercial aircraft will weigh not more than one pound per horse power.

## AIR TROPHY FOR CAPT. PERCIVAL

### Africa And Back In A Day

The Johnson Memorial Trophy for the best feat of air navigation in 12 months has been awarded by the Guild of Air Pilots to Capt. E. W. Percival, the aircraft designer, for his flight to Africa and back in a day. He was the first man to accomplish this feat. In June Capt. Percival left Graydon at 1:30 a.m. and arrived at Oren, Morocco, at 8:40. He was back at Graydon by 6:30 p.m., having flown 2,300 miles in 17 hours.

## SUDAN AIR LINE REPORT

### Concession Granted By Negus?

Addis Ababa. There is an unconfirmed report here that the Emperor has granted a concession to a French group to run an air service between Addis Ababa and the Sudanese frontier. The plan is to connect up with the Imperial Airways at Malakal, Sudan.

"The consent of the British Government would, of course, have to be obtained before the machines could fly over Sudanese territory."

## PURSUIT AND BOMBING TYPE PLANE

During the last two years, two kinds of air planes bought by the U.S. Army Air Corps have been of the pursuit and bombing type.

## SAVING IN TIME

### CALIFORNIA FIVE DAYS FROM MANILA

#### NEW ERA IN COMMUNICATIONS

THE thousands of miles separating the United States from the Philippines, remotest area under the American flag, shrank preceptibly last month as Pan-American's China Clipper landed in Manila.

By fastest steamer Manila is 20 days from Seattle or San Francisco. For the last two years the Philippines has been closer to Europe than America from the standpoint of speediest commercial travel time. By steamer to Singapore and thence to London by trans-Asia aeroplanes requires from 12 to 15 days.

Last month's flight marks the beginning of a new era of trans-Pacific communication which brings California within four or five days of Manila, which is one third of the way around the world from San Francisco and nearly half-way around from New York.

## ATLANTIC SERVICE

### Terminus On Irish Side

#### MANY RIVAL CLAIMS

London. A representative of the Civil Aviation Department, Air Ministry, is visiting both Southern and Northern Ireland to examine possible intermediate calling places on an air service between Great Britain and Newfoundland, or Canada.

Representatives of the Air Ministry have just returned from a visit to Newfoundland, and it is understood that Port Botwood has tentatively been approved as an air service terminus in that Dominion. It would connect with the great trans-Canada air route to Vancouver, and on across the Pacific.

The surveys now in progress are being made with a view to the inevitable developments referred to last month by Sir Eric Geddes, chairman of Imperial Airways. The first step will be an experimental service of flying-boats between Bermuda and New York, in conjunction with Pan-American Airways. Meanwhile, the greater British enterprise is in preparation.

Flying-Boat Harbour. It is understood that in the South of Ireland, there are two possible alternative intermediate stations on an air service which may have Southampton for its English terminus. One is near Cork, the other is Bantry Bay.

Bantry Bay is one of the finest natural harbours in the world, and is suitable for flying-boat operations. It is farther west than Cork. It has not the business and industrial importance of Belfast. No decision as to the choice of an intermediate station has yet been made.

## Montreal Included In Plans

### CANADA'S SAGA OF AIR DEVELOPMENT

Montreal. The establishment of trans-Atlantic commercial aeroplane service will be a fact in about four years from now and Montreal will be one of its important points, stated H. O. Young, secretary of the Canadian Colonial Airways Ltd., during an address before the Electrical Club of Montreal.

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## BRITISH SECURITY



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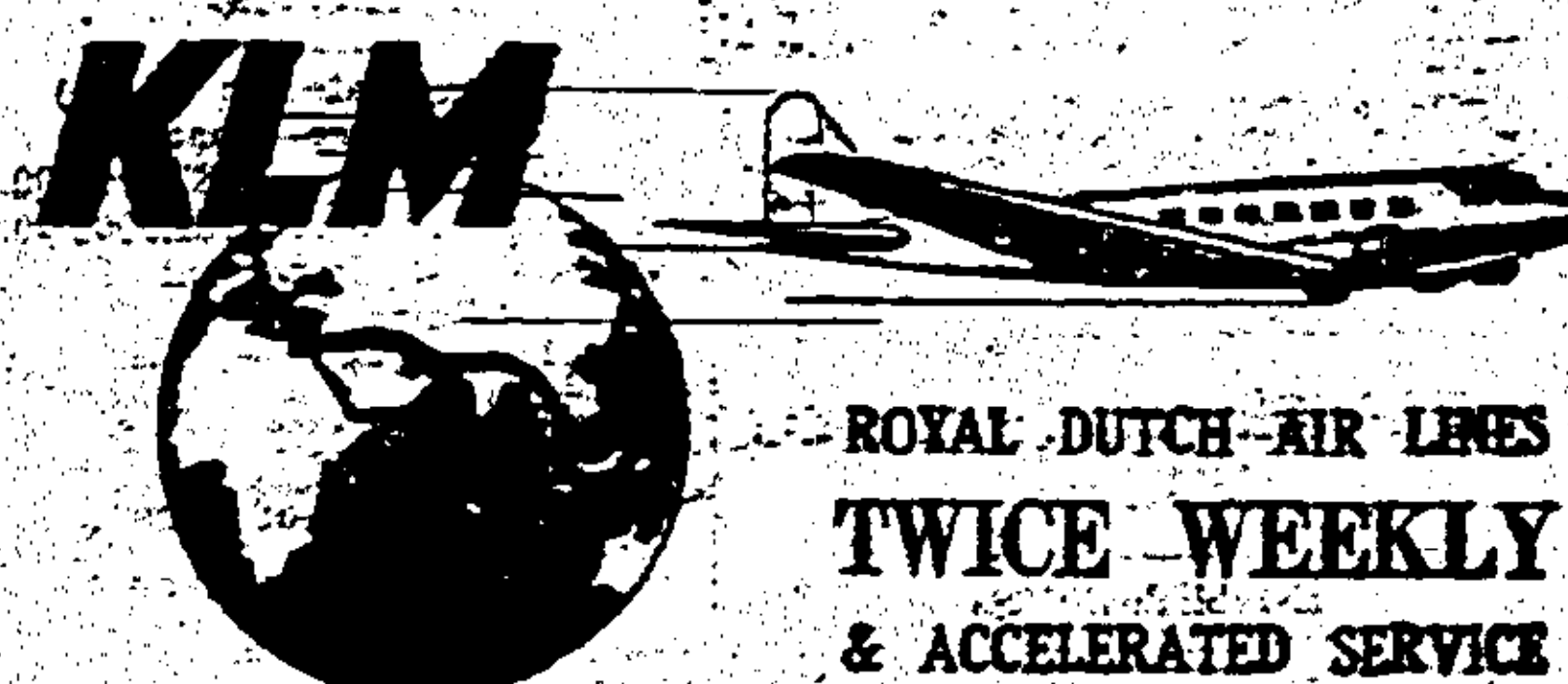
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## FURTHERING CAUSE OF PEACE

Essays By Children

### LADY SOUTHERN PRESENTS THE PRIZES

In the Kwok Siu Lau Hall of the St. Stephen's Girls' College yesterday afternoon Lady Southern, wife of the Colonial Secretary, Hon. Sir Thomas Southern, presented the prizes to successful competitors from local schools, in the essay competition conducted jointly by the League of Nations Society and the Hong Kong Peace Group open to all local schools.

The gathering was presided over by Mr. S. V. Boxer, Secretary of the League of Nations Society and Warden of Morrison Hall, others present including Miss Griffin, Warden of the University Women's Hostel and representative of the Peace Group, Mrs. W. K. Cheung, Headmistress of Fairlie School, Mr. Wei Tat, Mr. A. B. Reynolds, Lecturer in English at Hong Kong University, and Miss M. N. Baxter.

Letters of regret were received from Dr. K. L. Reichelt and Mr. G. R. Sayer, Director of Education.

Lady Southern, in the course of a short and pithy speech, said that it was good to see the younger generation working for peace. She urged her hearers to advance in the cause of peace with the bravery of soldiers advancing to battle.

#### The Prize Winners

The prize winners were as follows:

Chinese Essay (15 competitors): 1st prize—Ng Yan-shan (St. Stephen's College); 2nd prize—Cheung Yum-mun (Munsang College); 3rd prize—Fan Chi-hang (St. Stephen's College) and Raymond Huang (Munsang College).

English Essay (64 competitors): 1st prize—G. Whitlock (St. Joseph's College); 2nd prize—(Specially presented by Mr. A. B. Reynolds)—Peter Simon (Central British School); 3rd prize—Tang Hung-tak (St. Stephen's College); 4th prize—Raymond Yang (St. Stephen's College). Highly Commended (because of age)—Oswald Victor Cheung (Diocesan Boys' School); Commended—Audrey Ho (Diocesan Girls' School) and Freda Salmon (French Convent, Causeway Bay).

## CRIMINAL SESSIONS

### Calendar For Next Wednesday

#### NINE CASES FOR HEARING

Altogether nine cases are to be tried at this month's Criminal Sessions which commence on Wednesday, December 18. The cases include two of possession of arms, two of counterfeit coins, one of uttering and possession of forged bank notes.

The cases are: Tam Yeung, 34, charged with wounding an assistant of a pork stall in Wanchai Market on September 26 last.

Tam Tai, alias Tam Loi-tai, 37, a fisherman, charged with possession of an automatic pistol, a magazine and 100 rounds of ammunition without a licence.

Lam In and Kwong Chiu-piu charged with possession of 11 moulds for counterfeiting Hong Kong dollars, ten-cent pieces and five-cent pieces.

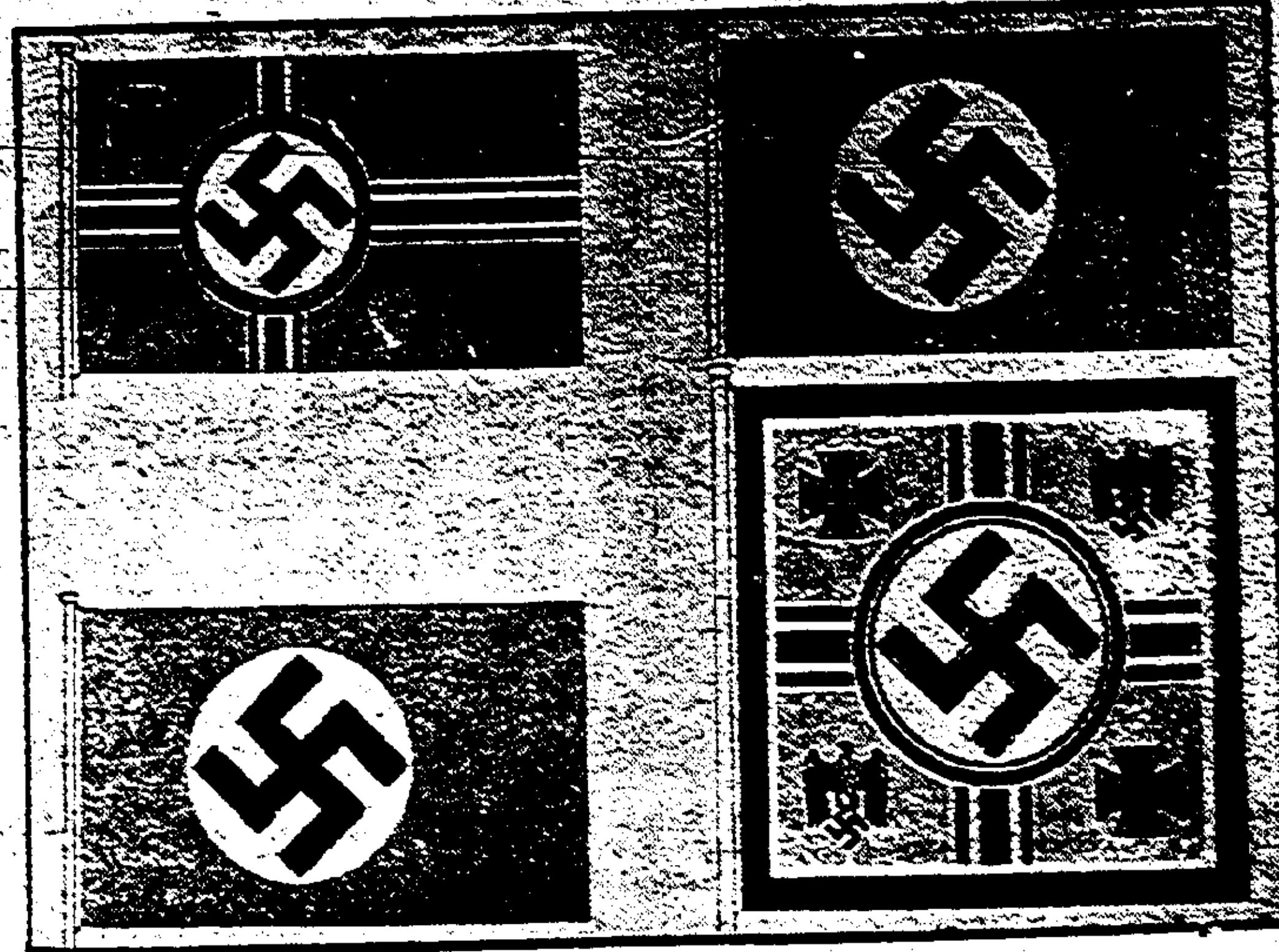
Mok Kwan, 30, charged with importing 249 counterfeit Hong Kong five-cent pieces into the Colony, and with possession of them.

Wong Fuk-ko, soldier, charged with uttering a forged \$50 bank note of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and with the possession of seven other notes of similar denomination.

Yan Sang, alias Li Sang, charged with possession of arms and breach of the Deportation Ordinance.

Li Fuk-sang, Li Loi and Chan Yuen charged separately with breach of the Deportation Ordinance.

An Ordinance to amend the Police Ordinance, 1932, is published in the Government Gazette. It effects minor changes in the procedure in respect of facilitating enquiries into and the release on bail of persons charged with petty offences, before there is an opportunity for the charges to be heard before the qualified magistrates.



The new Reichs flags which were hoisted with solemn ceremonies by the Defence Force for the first time on November 7 last at 8 a.m. show the following aspect: In the left top corner the Reichs war flag, under it the jack of the men-of-war, top right the flag of the merchant marine and under it the flag of the Reichs-War Minister and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces. The colours of all flags are black, white and red.

## CONSTRUCTION IN ENGLAND

### Sikorsky Seaplanes To Be Built

#### BASE CHOSEN AT HAMBLE

London.

Plans have been completed for the construction of the Sikorsky S-42 flying boats in this country. A base has been chosen at Hamble (Southampton) for hangers and workshops.

The boats will be improved versions of the "clipper ships" lately delivered to Pan-American Airways for use on the services operated between North and South America and across the Pacific to Honolulu.

Each boat will be equipped with four powerful engines; will cruise at 170 m.p.h. as a minimum; and will be capable of carrying up to 32 passengers according to range. The British Aircraft Manufacturing Company of Hanworth Aerodrome are sponsoring the venture. They have orders for 225,000 and other inquiries for a number of the flying boats.

Some are to be used for the opening of a new air service between Australia and New Zealand.

"Key Men" From America

Mr. W. A. Phillips, managing director of Aircraft Industries Corporation, who are interested in the venture, said:

"Arrangements have been negotiated in America for the preparation of the tools, and Sikorsky key engineers will be coming over to start construction work."

"Work will be begun, we hope, before the end of the year on building the factory at Hamble. Next year we expect the first boats will be flying."

The S-42 broke many world records for seaplanes on her tests. Built to take off fully loaded at 40,000lb., the boats have flown loaded to 42,000lb. The empty weight of the machine is 20,924lb., leaving about 50 per cent—19,076lb.—for a useful load. This will include provision for pilots and crew, fuel and oil, passengers and baggage, mails and freight, food and water.

Range of 3,000 Miles

On the run between the United States and South America a range of 1,200 miles is sufficient. This will be enough also for the New York-Bermuda service, which is to be opened next year when the base now under construction at Bermuda is ready.

The boats can be given a range of 3,000 miles and still take a limited payload. With shorter range they carry up to 9,000lb. of mails and freight.

These boats are of the high wing monoplane type with four 700 h.p. radial air-cooled engines.

## AIR EXPANSION IN CONNECTICUT

The Connecticut State Aviation Commission has applied for relief money totalling \$342,000 to be used in a wide programme of airport improvement through the State.

The Government Gazette announces that the following names have been struck off the Register—The Chung Mei Garage Co., Ltd., Thornhill and Co., Ltd., and the Kung Ping Poultry Co., Ltd.

### To-day's Short Story

## THE LONELY PLACE

By Patrick Kirwan

THE shore was deserted save for the swooping, shrieking gulls; and then I noticed that the long line of sandhills was merging into the flat extent of the beach: the waters of the little creek ran down to the sea. The tide was ebbing, and on the mudbank six smacks lay rotting in the sun. They lay there on their sides, forlorn and deserted.

A wooden jetty ran down the side of the creek, a skeleton of black timbers, and the shreds of some old bunting fluttered wanly from its cracked white flagpole. At the further end of the creek was a little cluster of cottages: old skulls that gazed out on the world through blank, eyeless sockets.

In front of the cottages was a little green, an old mudbank that the sun had baked, and from which coarse green herbage sprang. On its fringes, where the sand was still soft, juicy spikes of tender samphire jutted. The decay of old boats, old fishing gear, littered the green. On the higher slopes beyond the village the shells of half a dozen or so gaunt, barrack-like villas lay scattered.

I left the hard mud and heard my steps ring with a hollow noise on the cobbles of the little street.

There was no sign of movement save for the fluttering of the rag on the flagpole, and no sound save the shrieking of the gulls, the distant roar of the sea, and the beat of my own feet. Presently I came to the inn; an old board creaked from a rusted iron bracket. It held traces of some primitive design, and I read its title in faded lettering: "The Herring-Cran."

On the roof above, a plume of grey smoke waved from the little chimney. I went inside, through the deserted bar into the kitchen beyond.

The old man with the trimmed beard crouching over his driftwood fire rose to meet me. He set down the black clay he had been sucking.

"Good morning to you," he said, "and the blessing of God on you."

"Good morning," I replied. "I'll drink a glass of stout."

"You will not," he told me, "but I've a drop of beer in a barrel. You can drink that."

## TWO R.A.F. MEN INJURED

### Plane Hits High Voltage Cable

Hull.

An R.A.F. training plane struck a high-voltage cable while flying over the village of Rowley, East Yorkshire, last month, and crashed in a field. Flying Officer Frederick McNeill and Sergt. Edward Jack were taken to Hull Infirmary.

A gamekeeper who saw the accident said: "There was a flash of blue flame and a terrific bang. As the machine broke away, bits of the fuselage were left on the cable."

"I ran to the spot, expecting to find the men dead."

Both airmen had facial and leg injuries. Flying Officer McNeill's jaw being broken. His home is at Hull, and Sergt. Jack belongs to Brighton.

"I will," I replied. "If yourself will join me."

He rose and drew the beer from the barrel in the corner, and we drank together.

"It's lonely here," I said.

The old man agreed with me, and he said in a striking voice: "It's the loneliest place in the world." Then he added: "And the poorest, although once you might say the street outside was paved with gold."

He seemed pleased with his eloquence, as though delighted after such long disuse to find resonance in his voice, and meaning in his words.

"Yes," he said, "this place was ruined by riches. It all happened many years ago, the night of the Big Wind. It was a pleasant enough place before then. The men went out in their smacks, and brought back their catches, poor or large, according to the winds and tides and the queer ways of the fish themselves."

### MONDAY'S STORY

Monday's story will be "The Climax," By C. Gordon Glover.

"They'd land their catches on the jetty there beyond, and haggle with the dealers that came here from the town. The women did the washing and baking, and gave the men the comfort of their love. There were children playing in the street then. It was a hard life; but I've been long enough in the world to see it's small joy a soft one brings."

"Then came the night of the Big Wind. The men were sitting sung in the bar here, drinking and talking, and thanking God that they weren't out on the sea. It was pitch black beyond the windows, and the wind was howling, like the souls of the damned themselves."

"Then, through the window, they saw rockets going up in a great blaze, near the mouth of the creek; and they knew there was some ship there, dismantled maybe, and hard set to it to ride clear of the rocks. The men put on their oilskins, all of them, kissed their wives and children, and put out for the ship."

He paused, and stroked his beard thoughtfully.

"All that is," he added, "save for one man. He was too drunk to go. He had been in the Navy, and it happened to be quarter day, and he was drinking his pension."

"They never came back. There was not a man, save one, was left in the village. The women were distracted out of their minds, wondering what way they would live, and grieving the loss of their husbands' love."

"Then the newspapers started a great subscription fund, to give the widows and orphans a few shillings a week for each one of them, so they could spend their days in peace, suffering no want. They collected thousands of pounds. From every corner of the earth the money came pouring in. They do say that even when the fund was closed the money still came rolling in from every country in the world."

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## OLD AIR PROBLEM SOLVED

British Chemist's Invention

### ICE FORMATIONS ELIMINATED

This is the time of year when air liner pilots often complete a journey in Europe with the wings and struts of their aeroplanes coated with ice.

Ice formation is a peril and when serious can interfere with controls, throw instruments out of gear and force machines down.

It is going to be one of the perils of Atlantic flying in all weathers, and means to overcome it have exercised the minds of scientists in many countries.

#### The "Anticer"

It has remained for England to produce the right antidote or "anticer."

This is the invention of Dr. John Edwin Exambotton, chief chemist of the Air Ministry's aircraft establishment at Farnborough, Hants.

Ice generally forms on the leading edge of aeroplane wings and tail units; adheres to struts, and blocks up instrument recording ports and tubes on which the pilot is dependent for a correct interpretation of his aeroplane's speed and altitude.

When this happens the machine becomes heavily overloaded, the shape of the wing is distorted by the accumulation of ice, controls may be jammed, and with incorrect or non-functioning instruments the machines cannot be handled with safety.

#### Prevention

The best method of prevention has been found to lie in providing a fitting over the leading edge of wings and tail units.

The leading edge is covered with porous leather to which a liquid which lowers the freezing point of water is fed continuously.

A suitable liquid has been found in ethylene glycol to which some ethyl alcohol is added. This lowers the temperature at which the liquid may be effectively used.

About two pints of the liquid per hour have been found sufficient for a length of 70 feet of wing.

A layer of rubberised fabric is first doped to the wing, with the rubberised surface exposed.

The special "anticer" liquid is conveyed by a rubber tube punctured at quarter-inch intervals along its entire length. The tube is made to adhere to the leading edge partly by rubber solution.

#### When Doped

A porous cotton fabric layer spreads the liquid to wet the leather covering. Strips of ordinary aeroplane fabric are attached to the leather jacket.

When doped to the wing they hold the leather covering firmly in position.

Lightly constructed piping carries the liquid to the protected parts of the leading edge or the tail and the flow can be controlled by the pilot.

Ice is then thawed as quickly as it forms, or its adhesion is destroyed after a few minutes and the ice is blown away.

The weight of the equipment amounts to only 30lb. including liquid for two hours in the case of a light bomber, though it is of course greater for big passenger monoplanes and biplanes.

## CO-OPERATION IN THE AIR

### Between England And Australia

London.

The increasing measure of co-operation between the Royal Air Force and its Australian counterpart is shown by the despatch of Air Commodore S. J. Goble, second in command of the Royal Australian Air Force, for duty here.

Air Vice-Marshal Richard Williams, Chief of Staff of the R.A.A.F., has only recently returned from England.

#### Amusing Experience

Air Commodore Goble, for whom the R.A.F. is exchanging Air Commodore H. R. Nicholls, had an amusing experience when he made a flight around the Australian continent in 1924.

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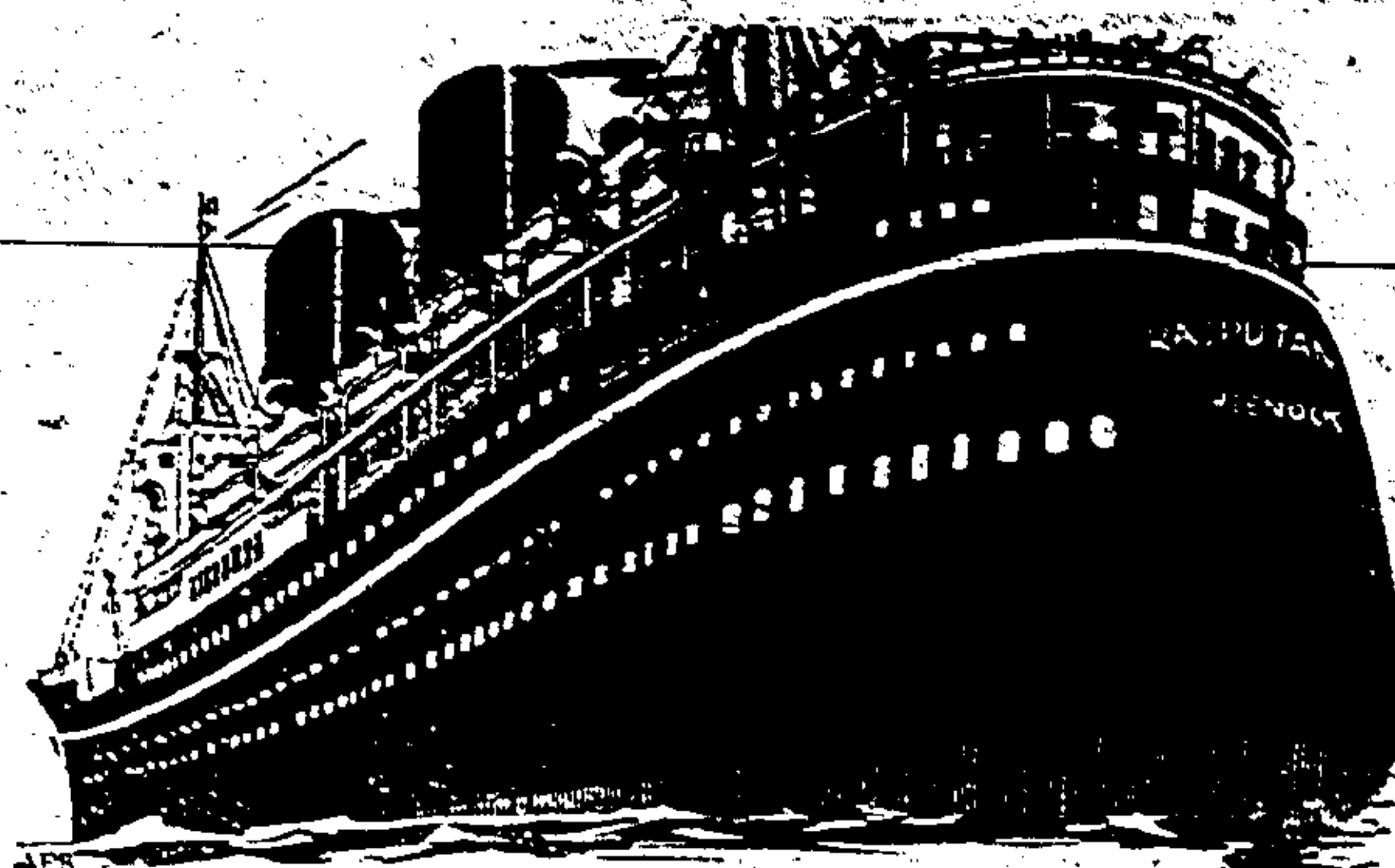
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*BHUTAN	6,000	4th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London, Ham- burg, R'dam, Antwerp & Hull.
CARTHAGE	14,500	11th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BEHAR	6,000	18th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London, Ham- burg, R'dam & Hull.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	25th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*SOUDAN	7,000	1st Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London, Ham- burg, R'dam, Antwerp & Hull.
SCHITRAL	15,000	8th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
*CATHAY	15,000	22nd Feb.	Marseilles & London.
*BURDWAN	6,000	29th Feb.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Ham- burg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	7th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
CORFU	14,500	21st Mar.	Marseilles & London.
RANCHI	17,000	4th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
NALDERA	16,000	18th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
CARTAGE	14,500	2nd May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	15,000	15th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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### EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS

NANKIN	7,000	31st Dec.	
NELLORE	7,000	1st Feb.	
TANDA	7,000	6th Mar.	
TALMA	10,000	26th Dec.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	27th Dec.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
NELLORE	7,000	5th Jan.	Shanghai & Japan.
SIRDHANA	8,000	9th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan.
CHITRAL	15,000	10th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SIRHALA	8,000	24th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan.
CATHAY	15,000	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*BURDWAN	6,000	29th Jan.	Shanghai & Japan.
TANDA	7,000	6th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan.
TILAWA	10,000	7th Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan.

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## STATE OF MODERATE FATHEADEDNESS

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Why? Simply because, being aware of your intentions, he can successfully guard against that momentary clouding of his intellect, in the absence of which your most cunning provocation will be powerless to affect him.

### Both Normal

Surely, in view of this fact, the behaviour of the family, pitiful though it undoubtedly remains, no longer suggests that they are anything but normal.

We are always off our guard with those we love, and are therefore cruelly fated to be from time to time at our worst with them. So it was for awhile with Ernest and Margaret, and this leads me at once to the answer to that second question.

The surest amulet against domestic discord is an honest recognition of your own deficiencies. There is no rarer quality than absolute honesty with regard to oneself, for the simple reason that it is apt to be so uncomfortable.

On the other hand, few things are easier or more soothing to the soul than a little judicious whitewashing during a process of self-criticism, and that most of us should indulge in this sort of luxury, to some extent at least, is almost inevitable.

But though nothing is easier than to bluff yourself, you can never hope to bluff one who loves you, and most of the troubles of married life are due to a refusal to face this one fact.

### Both Sides Of Question

There are two sides to every question, two points of view in regard to even the most every-day trifle, and to fail to concern yourself with more than one of them is certainly to be unfair, and most likely infuriating as well.

Hence the deadliness in married life of that intellectual affliction I have already referred to as a momentary phase of mild fatheadedness. If a man and woman marry, having previously lived for years in a state of self-deception, they will naturally find it difficult to be any more clear-sighted with regard to themselves than they formerly were, and to expect them, while thus intellectually crippled, to be anything but childishly unreasonable now and again is simply to overlook the fact that they are human.

It is undeniably desirable that husbands and wives should be honest with each other, but it is absolutely essential that they be honest with themselves. If the Mails have served to demonstrate no more than this, their hickering in public has not been in vain.

## UNION CHURCH

Services For Next  
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### CHRISTMAS DAY DEVOTION

The following are the intimations for the forthcoming week:  
To-morrow—Morning Service at 10.30 a.m. (Preacher: Rev. John D. MacLean); Evening Service at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, December 17—Meeting of Soldiers' and Airmen's Christian Association at 7.30 p.m. The German community will give a presentation of a Nativity Play in the Church on Friday, December 20, at 5.30 p.m.

A Service of Worship will be held on Christmas morning, December 25, at 10.30 a.m.

A Concert will be held in the Church Hall on Wednesday, December 18, at 8 p.m. The Concert Party from H.M.S. Bruce will provide the entertainment.

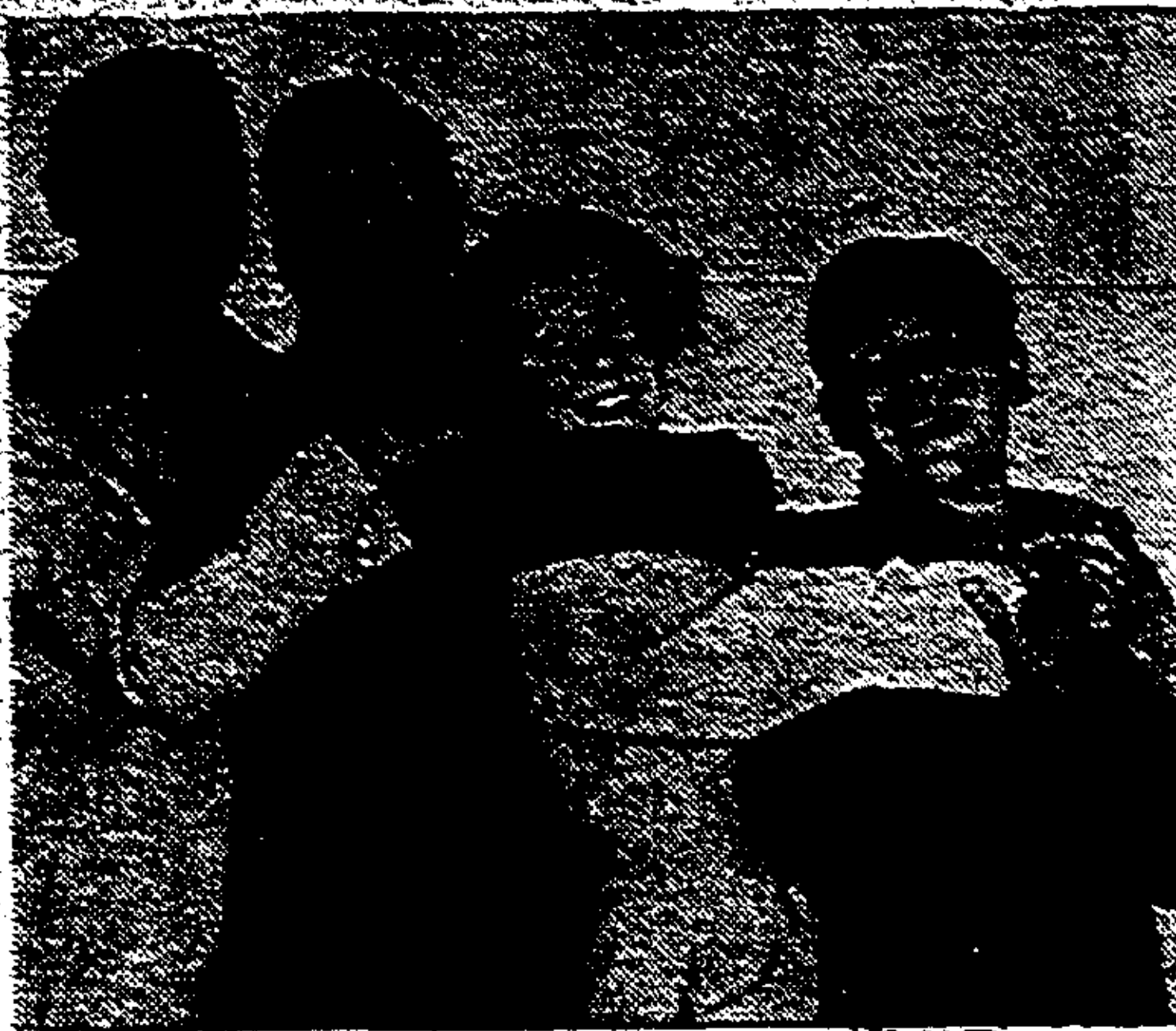
Every Friday at 10.30 a.m. a Devotional Meeting is held in the Helens May Institute.

### SAVING IN TIME

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American did not obtain its franchise until the recent closing session of the old legislature. The franchise granted the privilege of maintaining on-shore service for a 25-year term.

The United States army has contributed materially to the development through the chartering of air-



Alice Fay, Ray Walker and Bobe Daniels are featured together in the far production "Made in Magic," which will be screened at the Alhambra Theatre to-day.

## THE LONELY PLACE

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"The newspapers had not wanted to collect the thousands of pounds, nor any such vast sum. They only wanted to gather up enough to give the widow-women a few shillings each week; but they had been so eloquent about the bravery of the men and the fortitude of the women, that there was no way of stopping it at all, the great flood of gold."

"There was only one woman in the village that did not rejoice, and that was the wife of the man who had been too drunk to go out and get himself drowned with the others."

"If you'd been sober," she said to him, "on the night of the Big Wind I'd have been a rich woman with the rest. Didn't I always tell you your drunken habits would bring us no luck?"

"You did," he said, "for more years than I care to remember, and I agree with you as a general principle; but in this particular case I don't see that it brought the bad luck, for if I'd been sober I'd have drowned with the rest."

"It was a matter they could never see eye to eye upon, and so strongly did she feel that at last

she left him and went to live with her mother in the North, and he's never clapped eyes on her from that day to this."

"There was a committee of the local gentry appointed to administer the fund, and though they had never been in the village before when the men were alive, and the women and children going hungry during the great gales, they began to take a deep interest in all that were left. The bachelors among them married the best-looking of the women, and took them off to live in the town, like ladies."

"The other women built themselves the big villas you see on the hillside: the builder made himself a fortune out of them, for though he was a bad tradesman, he was a great hand at staving a bit of costs."

"There was a great commotion in the place, and you'd have thought every day was a market-day, and there was a roaring trade done in this public-house by the bucksters and merchants that came flocking here from every part of the land."

"There was a tremendous craze for electricity, and the women bought every kind of electrical thing from them, electrical egg-whisks, electrical hair-brushes, electrical sweepers, electrical hair-curlers, electrical cookers, electrical fires, electrical washers, and so forth, until there wasn't a woman among them that needed to lift a hand, except maybe to push a button."

"And yet, in spite of their great riches, it brought them small happiness. They sent off their boys and girls to fine schools, where they played tennis like lords and ladies, and wore badges in their caps. And the children grew ashamed of the villas their mothers had built, and would never come home to them."

"And then a fellow came down who had a prosperous scheme for cultivating oysters in the mouth of the creek, and persuaded them to put their money in it. The only oysters they ever saw were the ones he gave them at a farewell banquet, just before he absconded."

"Then another man came down, and put it into their heads that they'd get their money back if they'd let him invest it in searching for the gold that the old tales tell us does lie buried in the hills beyond. But the only gold they ever saw was the glitter of his watch-chain before he cleared off with their fortunes."

"And so they came, with the one scheme after the other, to make the women richer than they were. And so they went off, one after the other, taking the women's money with them."

"And one by one the women went away, as their money dwindled and they could no longer keep up the big villas they had built themselves and outdo their neighbours in displays of luxury. So now they are all gone, and there's not a man, woman nor child to be seen, for who would live in this place unless he were born in it and made his living on the sea?"

"Yes, it's a lonely place," he said. "We drank another mug of beer together."

"What happened," I asked, "to the man whose wife left him because he was too drunk to get drowned with the rest?"

"That man is myself," he said, "and I live on here because I was born here. I still draw my pension, as I've taken over the pub. But the landlord here, and I make a living out of myself, too. God help us all, that's the only customer" (THE END)

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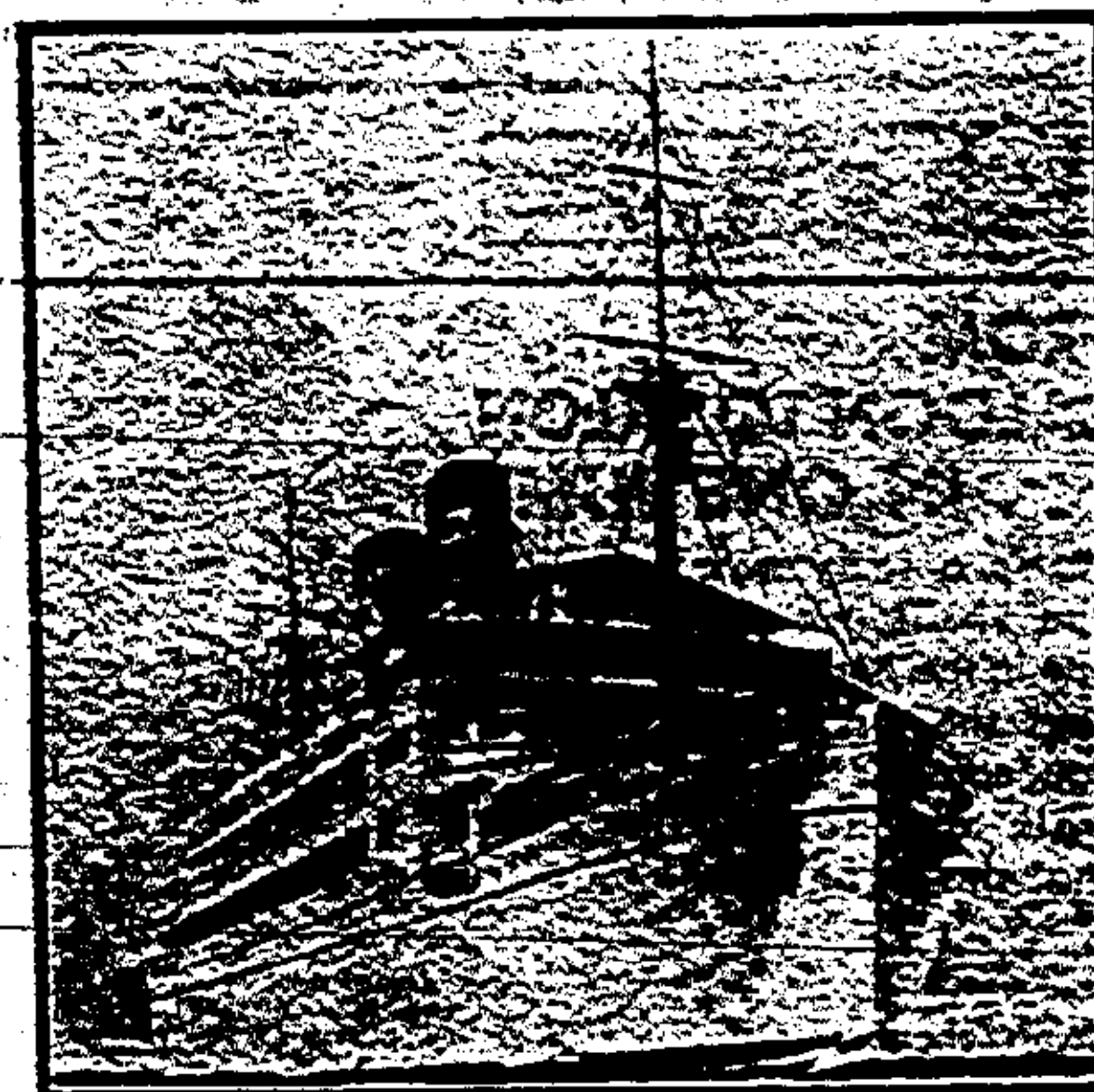
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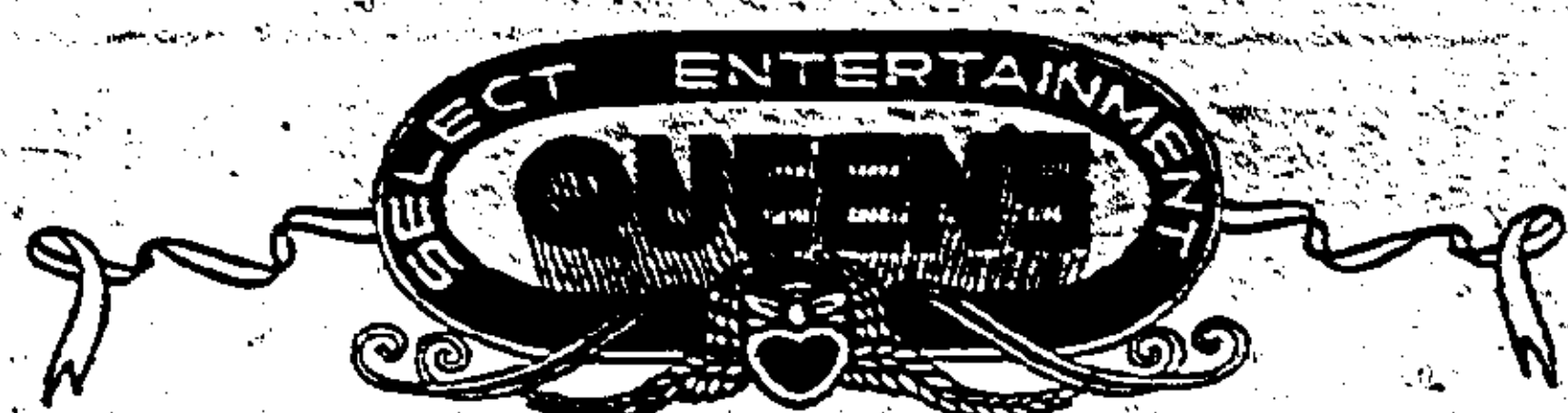
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### THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

#### Representation Of Local J.P.s.

The Government Gazette gives notice that the term of office of the Honourable Sir Henry Edward Pollock, Kt., K.C., representative of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace upon the Legislative Council, expires on January 16, 1936.

In the event of more than one nomination being received for the vacant office, a meeting of the Justices other than Government Officials will be held in the Supreme Court on Thursday, January 16, 1936, from 12 noon to 1 p.m., for the purpose of electing a Justice of the Peace to be recommended to His Excellency the Governor for appointment as a Member of the Legislative Council.

Justices of the Peace who are Government Officials are not entitled to take part in these proceedings.

Every candidate must be nominated in writing by one Justice and seconded by another, and the nomination delivered to the First Police Magistrate not later than Tuesday, January 14, 1936.

### ARMS LICENCES

#### New Condition To Be Applied

The attention of Arms Licence holders is drawn in the Government Gazette to the new and additional condition of licence appearing below which will be endorsed on all Arms Licences renewed after December 31, 1935:

The licensee of any arms shall whenever he changes his place of residence notify such change within 48 hours thereof to the Inspector-General of Police, and at the time of such notification shall produce his licence for inspection. The Inspector-General of Police shall endorse the licence and alter the register of licences accordingly.

### MILITARY ASSERT RIGHT OF WAY

#### Obstructions Round Bordon Camp

Bordon (Hants).—Groups of soldiers recently stood by improvised obstructions to roads and paths in and around Bordon Camp.

This was the military authorities' way of asserting their right of ownership of the roads.

The Rev. H. M. Vesle, chairman of the Parish Council, challenged the barring of the entrance to Hogmoor Lane from

### PROPOSED CESSION OF ASSAB

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#### POOR PROSPECTS

While official circles are silent it is felt that the peace proposals have lessened the prospects of peace and give Italy definitely less than was expected. The chance of Signor Mussolini's acceptance has lessened, and if he accepts, it will be with important reservations.

There is disappointment over the smallness of the territory yielded to Italy by Ethiopia. The proposed cession of Assab will probably be strongly contested by Italy, while it is feared that the proposed zone of economic expansion will become a prey to Abyssinian infiltration and aggression, while the agricultural and mineral potentialities of the zone are largely unknown and it is uncertain whether the climate is suited to European colonisation.

It is recognised, however, that the proposals are subject to variation.

#### SOME RESERVATIONS

Geneva. The Abyssinian communication to the League on the Anglo-French peace plan, technically, neither accepts nor rejects it, but makes complaints and reservations with regard to the Abyssinian sovereign rights. Compliance with the Abyssinian appeal that the Assembly should discuss the fairness of the proposals would take the question out of the hands of the Council, as the Assembly is the sovereign body in the League.—Reuter.

#### ABYSSINIAN ATTITUDE

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The Abyssinian Government therein declares that, as already stated, it is willing at any time to enter into negotiations within the framework of the League of Nations and is prepared to receive proposals. In doing this Abyssinia does not want to put the heavy responsibility for a decision about the further existence of the Abyssinian Empire on the League of Nations.

The Abyssinian Government, the note goes on, considers it its duty not to undertake anything which is liable to create precedents which might be detrimental to any non-member of the League of Nations.—Trans-Ocean Service.

the main London-Portsmouth road.

He contended that there had been a public right of way along the footpath from time immemorial. The military removed the obstructions.

### "PARADISE LOST" IN CANADA INDIAN LEGEND EXPLODED

#### Flight Survey Shows No Traces

From Our Own Correspondent  
London.—Canada has lost a tropical "paradise" supposed to have existed in a remote part of British Columbia.

According to Indian legend, a tropical valley known as the "Vale of Perpetual Summer" lay 700 miles north of Edmonton. Now Dr. Charles Cammell, Deputy Minister of Mines in the Canadian Federal Government, has definitely exploded the theory.

He has returned from a 4,000 flight in the north, during which his party landed in the mysterious valley. But all they found was a heavy growth of Timothy grass and numerous springs, not uncommon to the region. There were no warm sulphur springs, green moss and tropical palms as was popularly imagined.

The origin of this tropical valley is supposed to be associated with a Yukon trapper named Tom Smith, who lived for some years with his daughter Jane at a place called Devil's Gorge.

In 1925, after collecting furs for two years, the trapper set out with his daughter in a canoe to trade them at Fort Liard. Successfully running the Rapids of the Drowned and negotiating a difficult passage called Hell's Gate, the canoe came to grief when it was swamped in a whirlpool in the Liard River.

The trapper was drowned, but his daughter managed to reach Fort Liard, 100 miles away, after terrible hardships. Up to her death last year, she could not be induced to tell her experiences.

On his tour, Dr. Cammell came upon Tom Smith's cabin standing in ruins with its roof fallen in. Of great importance has been Dr. Cammell's discovery of the end of the famous Rocky Mountains, a question which has intrigued geographers for some years.

He has established that the range disappears across the plateau country north of latitude 60 degrees in south eastern Yukon. Only a few widely scattered summits can be seen above the heavy timber line that stretches for miles.

Much of what the Minister saw and photographed from the air will be used to complete a large relief map of Canada now being made by the Geological Survey at Ottawa.

#### FORTHCOMING WEDDING

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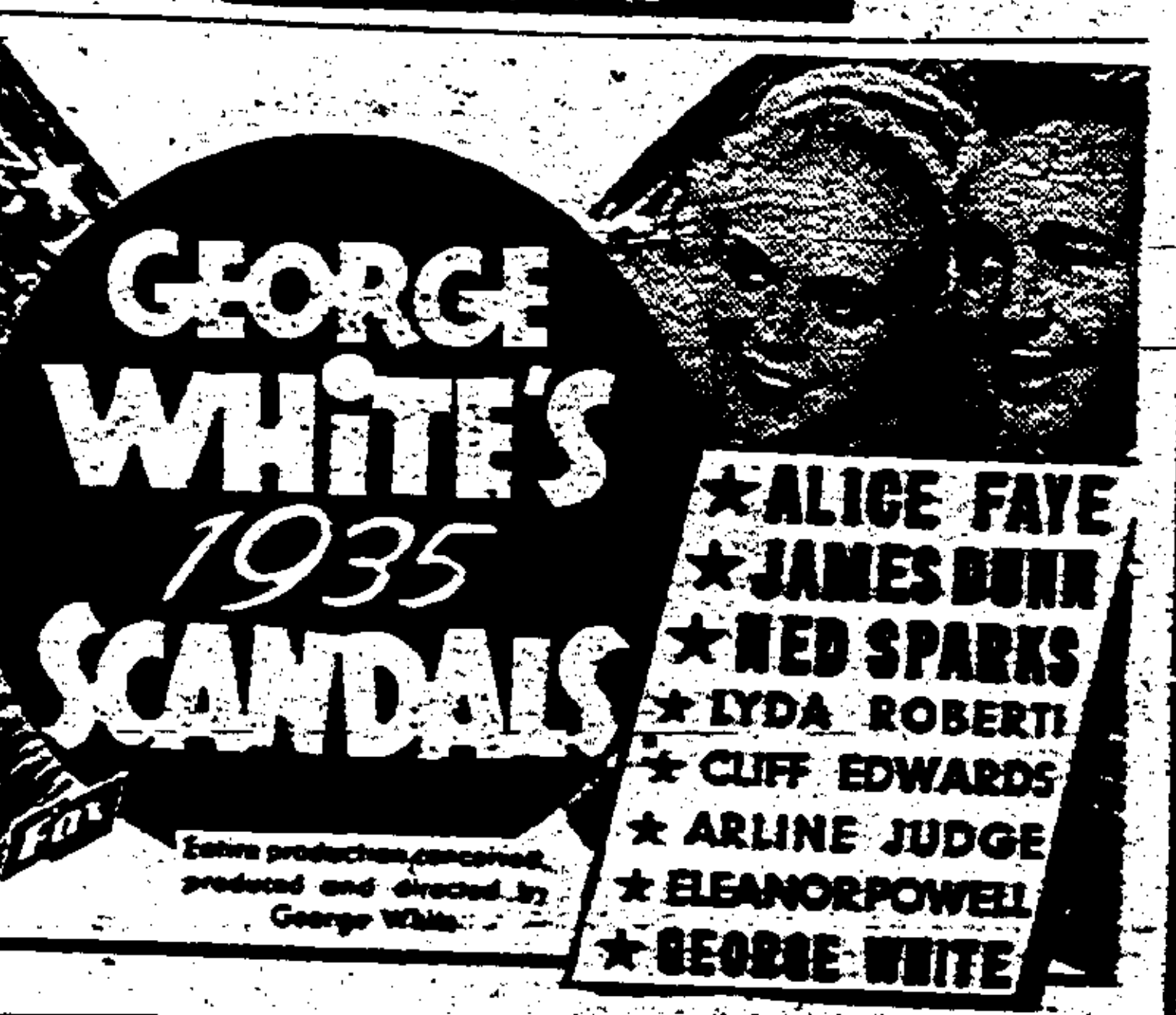
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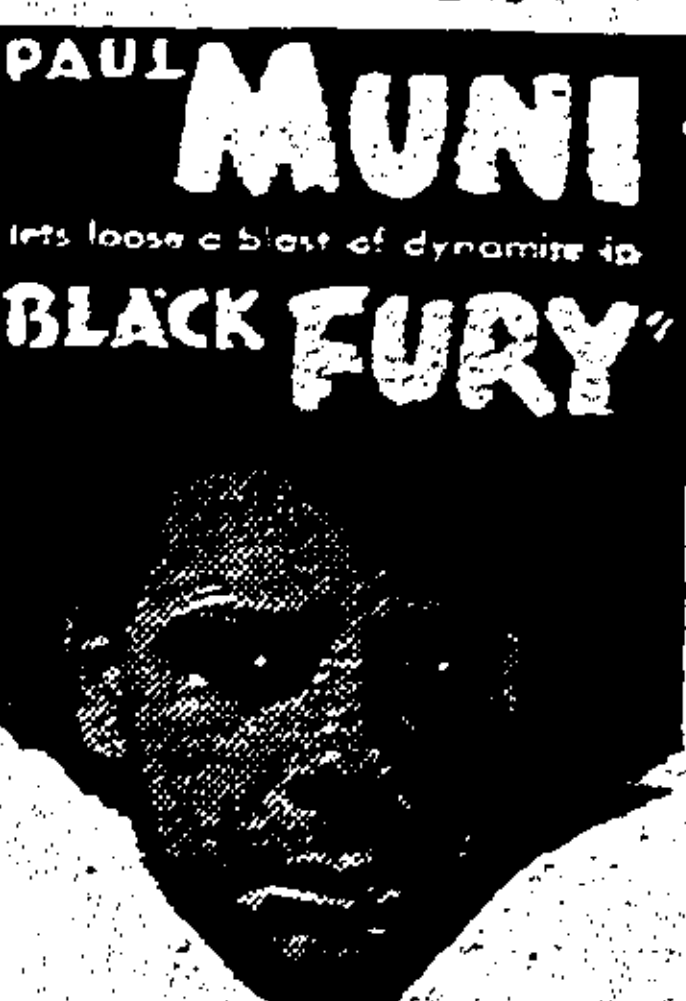
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